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63 LAKH & COUNTING AS PEOPLE RUSH TO FILE ITR ON SUNDAY

With the government refusing to extend the Sunday deadline, taxpayers scramble to file I-T returns to escape the late fees

OVER 5.73 CRORE RETURNS FILED SO FAR

About 5 lakh people filed their returns between 7 and 8 pm alone. As many as 5.1 crore people had filed I-T returns till June 30, according to official figures. In all, 6.8 crore people filed their income tax returns in the last fiscal year. The last-minute rush is to avoid penalty of ₹5,000, which people earning over ₹5 lakh a year must pay if they miss the deadline

EXPECT NO GRACE PERIOD, SAY EXPERTS

- Expecting a deadline rush and confusion among taxpayers, the I-T department kept its helpline number operational 24 hours
- The hashtag #Extend_Due_Date_Immediately has been trending on Twitter in recent days with several pleas for extension of the deadline. However, experts say there's unlikely to be an extension

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INTEREST TO BE PAID PER MONTH FOR DELAYED FILING

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GOLD JEREMY-NATION

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

IT was wee hours on a wintry night in October four years ago. Most people in the salubrious hill station of Aizawl in Mizoram were asleep. But there was one house that was abuzz. The home of the Lalrinnunga family on the outskirts of Aizawl was milling with people. No, not to watch TV. The event was not live. Yet the family and friends followed the results of Jeremy Lalrinnunga at the Youth Olympics in Buenos Aires. They were checking his results on phone and whatever devices they could get hold of. And they celebrated his gold in unison.

Four year later, on a balmy Sunday afternoon, the Lalrinnunga family's place was again abuzz. But this time everyone was glued to TV. The Commonwealth Games in Birmingham was live. Like in 2018, Jeremy didn't disappoint this time too. Of course the celebration was louder and more emotional.

The 19-year-old shattered two Games records (140kg in snatch and overall lift of 300kg in 67kg) on way to gold on debut.

"Everybody watched his performance on TV," Malsawma Khiangte, Jeremy's childhood coach told this daily. Like most journeys, Jeremy's was fraught with hurdles. In the last four years since the Youth Olympic medal, he had met his family only on a couple times. He last visited Aizawl in June 2020 during the height of pandemic. Even on reaching, he stayed at a sports training centre for 14 days away from family. But one thing he never missed was training.

After failing to qualify for Tokyo 2020, Jeremy battled injuries just before the CWG. He had a bad back injury earlier this year. Even during his event, he was grimacing in pain. He suffered a muscle pull that cast doubt over his gold medal haul. The anxiety of a teenager was visible.

"I completely blanked out and was clueless what was going on. I cried a lot (after the failed attempt in clean and jerk)," Jeremy said later. "I never followed the other lifters, it was painful. I asked the coach '*medal aya ke nahin*?' (did I get a medal?) Coach sir told me '*gold hai hamara*' ('you have won the gold) ." He let out a loud yell. P13

JEREMY LALRINNUNGA

CRICKET

India beat Pakistan

Birmingham: India women's cricket team put up a ruthless performance to beat Pakistan by eight wickets and boost their chances of a semifinal berth at the Games on Sunday.

SQUASH

Joshna in quarters

Ace Indian squash player Joshna Chinappa outwitted New Zealand's Kaitlyn Watts 3-1 to progress to the women's squash singles quarterfinals. She faces Canada's Hollie Naughton next.

BADMINTON

Sen & Co in semis

Indian shuttlers are in the mixed team semis after 3-0 win over SA late on Sunday. Lakshya Sen, Aakarshi Kashyap and mixed pair of B Sumeeth Reddy & Ashwini Ponnappa sealed the deal.

It's Raut's turn to be detained by ED

House searched for 9 hrs after 6 am knock; Sena leader says it's a plot to weaken Thackeray group

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Sunday detained Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Raut after searching his residence for nine hours in connection with a money laundering scam. The ED also seized ₹11.50 lakh unaccounted cash and some documents from his bungalow.

The case against him is about the Patra Chawl redevelopment scam in Goregaon. The ED alleges that he made several foreign trips sponsored by chawl developer Pravin Raut. It claims that Sanjay Raut arranged Pravin's meetings with developers in Dubai, for which he received kickbacks that were funneled into his wife's bank account.

Raut had ignored two ED summonses for questioning citing Parliament session, the latest being on July 27, hence the raid.

The raid that began at 6 am, was planned over the last few days. "Top officers of the ED in Delhi were involved in the plan, which was shared with its Mumbai office on Saturday night. It included managing Shiv Sainiks if they get unruly. The Mumbai Police was informed on Sunday," said a source requesting anonymity.

Sanjay Raut being taken to the ED office in Mumbai before his detention on Sunday | PTI

Earlier in a day, Shiv Sena president Uddhav Thackeray said: "In his Roktok column in *Saamana*, Sanjay Raut raised some serious questions. So, he may be arrested. This is a shameless conspiracy and blatant muzzling of voices."

As for Raut, he saw in the ED's action a larger conspiracy to weaken the Thackeray group. "BJP wants to frame me by misusing Central enforcement agencies. They want to suppress my voice. But I will never join any other party. I will never leave the Shiv Sena and Uddhav Thackeray," Raut told Sainiks outside his house.

Raut's mother and other relatives became emotional as he was taken away by the ED.

EXPRESS READ

Cong suspends three party MLAs caught with cash

New Delhi: The Congress on Sunday suspended three Jharkhand MLAs, who were caught allegedly with a huge amount of cash in Howrah, and accused the BJP of attempting to topple the state government. Party's Jharkhand in-charge Avinash Pande alleged the three were involved in a plot to weaken the party. P10

African national tests negative for monkeypox

Bengaluru: The test report of a middle-aged Ethiopian, who had come to Bengaluru in early July and was suspected to have contracted monkeypox, has returned negative. The report confirmed that it was a case of chickenpox, said Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar. P3

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Recoveries	20,958	19,336
Deaths	54	45

KARNATAKA	JULY 30	JULY 31
Fresh cases	1,886	1,892
Recoveries	1,242	1,094
Deaths	1	2

At least 14 arrested in nationwide NIA raids

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kochi, Ahmedabad, Lucknow, Bhopal, Bengaluru

THE National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Sunday raided several locations in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra and detained at least 14 people over alleged ties to terrorist organisations, including the notorious Islamic State of Iraq and Syria.

In Uttar Pradesh's Deoband town, a madrasa student from Karnataka was arrested from a seminary. The student, Farukh, was allegedly in touch with a module of the Pakistani intelligence agency ISI via a social media app. On June 23, a Rohingya student was arrested from Deoband. In Gujarat, sources said, a joint team of the NIA and Gujarat ATS carried out searches in Bharuch, Surat, Navsari, and Ahmedabad districts during which incriminating documents and material were seized. P7

SEARCHES IN K'TAKA TOO

NIA on Sunday conducted searches in Tumakuru, Bhatkal and Shirguppi of Belagavi district over suspected ISIS links. P7

Bommai, Araga keep close eye on DK situation

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai and Home Minister Araga Jnanendra have been holding a series of meetings over the past few days with the home secretary, DGP and with other top brass of home and police departments to ensure that the murders of B Mahsood, Pravin Nettaru and Mohammed Fazil in coastal Karnataka do not lead to more "tit-for-tat" bloodbath, as has been warned by some police officers.

The police officers have apprised Bommai and Jnanendra that these killings seem to be unrelated and for revenge. The police have increased security along the coast and other sensitive locations in neighbouring areas. CCTVs, electronic surveillance and other measures, apart from traditional policing, are being used to keep a tight vigil. Bommai and Jnanendra have been monitoring the situation on a day-to-day basis as the police are detaining dozens of people and questioning them.

Jnanendra told TNIE, "We are not addressing the issue superficially, but getting to the root of it. The police are taking great care even during the detention of suspects and separate enclosures have been created." P4

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WEATHER

MIN 20°C | MAX 26°C

FORECAST: Thunderstorms. Broken clouds

Sunrise 6.05 am | Sunset 6.46 pm | Moonrise 8.52 pm | Moonset 9.27 am

CET RANKINGS

KEA move not to consider repeaters' PU marks flayed

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FOR REPRESENTATION PURPOSE

VARIOUS student organisations have slammed the Karnataka Examination Authority's decision to not consider last year's second PU marks of repeaters in this year's Karnataka Common Entrance Test (CET) rankings. The All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO) has claimed that these students — who wrote the second PU exam in 2021 and attempted the CET this year — were not informed of the decision in advance and called the move discriminatory. The organisation reasoned that the marks should be considered as the State Government had assured last year that second PU marks of 2021 were calculated in a scientific and concrete manner.

"Last year, the government assured that the evaluation will be done in a scientific way in consultation with all stakeholders. So, if at all the process followed is correct and concrete, then why not include these marks while granting the results of CET repeaters? When KEA rejected the second PU marks for repeaters, then naturally the question arises about the evaluation process," said Ajay Kamath, AIDSO state secretary.

Further, the decision to not release CET rankings of repeaters has been criticised, as students had not been informed of the decision. "Just considering the results of an objective based examination, in this case the CET, as a criterion is not scientific. There should be uniformity in the evaluation process," Kamath said.

Retotalling gives some students high scores

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

WITH second-year PU revaluation and recounting results declared on Sunday, some students have gained as many as 59 marks in their exams after retotalling. The Department of Pre-University Education announced results of the revaluation on July 31.

According to information provided by the department on Batch 1 results, as many as 775 students had their papers retotalled. While most students' papers came back with more or less than 10 marks, some students were awarded over twice their marks, post retotalling. The highest number of marks given post retotalling was to one student, Anu, in political science — she was given 40 marks initially, and an additional 59 marks post retotalling, giving her nearly a centum in the subject. Similarly, Umaima Mehnaz Madical, who was awarded 48 in her Economics paper, was given another 51 marks post retotalling, adding up to 99 marks. Of 775 students who had their papers retotalled, 32 students were awarded an additional 25 marks or more, with many being awarded over 40 marks post retotalling. Many who had failed previously, passed by a big margin.

Papers of 10,862 students who had applied for revaluation came back with no change. Another 2,047 had had their papers revaluated. While changes in revaluation weren't as drastically different as compared to those done in retotalling, the highest difference for revaluation was an additional 33 marks awarded to a student, improving the subject marks from 40 to 73.

Forgetful flyers left behind 32K items

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

Calendar year	Items reported	Items collected
2019	42,339	8,514
2020	21,273	3,694
2021	35,467	6,715

FORGETFUL air passengers have ensured that the 'Lost and Found' section at Bengaluru's Kempegowd International Airport (KIA) remains buzzing with activity. A whopping 32,169 articles have been deposited here in the first half of this year.

A spokesperson of Bangalore International Airport Ltd (BIAL) told *The New Indian Express* that the rush to catch flights makes passengers often leave behind items in the security hold area (the space where passengers wait after security checks and before boarding their flight). "Electronic items like data cables, ear pods, ear phones, pen drives, mobile phones and watches are frequently received at the 'Lost and Found' section," the spokesperson said.

The handing over of items which have enormous sentimental value to a person evokes strong emotions. "In a recent incident, a passenger was in tears when a bangle belonging to her mother was safely returned to her," she added.

If you spot an item inside the airport unattended, just alert any Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel or an airport staffer. "The 'Lost and Found' section has a dedicated team that safely stores the articles reported to it. They also alert the item owner if contact details are available, " the spokesperson said. One needs to access this to section, which is updated regularly: https://www.bengaluruairport.com/travellers/passenger-services/lost-found

A quick analysis of the last three years indicate that only one-fifth of the flyers end up collecting their articles **(see box)**. The uncollected items are disposed by different modes by BIAL.

How to collect your item

If the passenger who lost the item is collecting it, a photo ID along with the boarding pass or e-ticket would do. However, in case someone else is authorised to collect the item on behalf of the flyer, then these documents of the flyer must be accompanied by an authorised letter/email along with a photo ID of the person collecting it.

Items are retained for a period of one month from the handover date. Indian passports are posted to the Regional Passport Office while foreign passports are sent to the respective embassies after a 30 day-retention period. Bank cards, cheque books and pass books are disposed after 48 hours.

RAIN CREATES A SPLASH

Rain continued to lash the city for the second consecutive day on Sunday spoiling the weekend plans of many | SHRIRAM BN

Will hold meet to give fillip to Ayush, says Minister

ENS @Bengaluru

HIGHER Education Minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan said on Sunday that a high level meeting of officials will be convened soon for the development of indigenous meditation and medical traditions.

He was speaking at the Jignasa National Arogya Fair 2022, which was held over the weekend. He said that the development of the Ayush system of medicine would be discussed during the meeting and said that it must be made a priority to invest in the field. "Investors should invest in the Ayush health sector. There is a huge market for this and if it is used effectively, society will be empowered. Due to modern lifestyle, many types of complex health problems are plaguing our society today. So we need to create an environment where the best quality treatments are available at affordable prices and at doorsteps," he said.

He said that research in the health sector must be made a priority and treatments must reach the public and be made affordable.

Furnish details on unpaid compensation by builders: RERA to home buyers

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

WITH criticism mounting against Karnataka Real Estate Regulatory Authority (K-RERA) over poor adherence by builders to the orders issued by it on compensation to home buyers, it has now asked buyers to individually furnish details to it on the issue. The home buyers have also been asked to submit the interest amount to be paid by the builder on account of delay. Of a total of nearly Rs 268 crore ordered by RERA to be paid as compensation, promoters have paid the buyers just Rs 16 crore as on July 10. An e-mail sent by RERA legal team to buyers reads thus, "You are hereby directed to furnish information whether the respondent complied with the order dated xxxx (depending on specific order date) passed by the Adjudicating Officer. If not, furnish the updated memo of calculation as per order to till date."

Confirming the communication, K-RERA Chairman H C Kishore Chandra told *TNIE*, "The details sent by the home buyers will be shared by us to the deputy commissioner or the tahsildar, whoever is responsible in the specific area, to pursue it and get the compensation along with the revised interest amount spelt out by the buyer." The aggrieved buyer, therefore, stands to get better justice when the complete interest amount is being sought.

Though RERA is not responsible for the execution part of the order, it gets brickbats often on this count. "Its website reveals that its verdicts have been honoured by promoters in just 48 cases out of 664 cases it has handled. MS Shankar, general secretary, Forum for People's Collective Efforts, which is working for rights of buyers across India, said, "This is a good reaction from K-RERA following the review we submitted to them on completion of five years of the implementation of the RERA Act. This is a positive step from buyers point of view."

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

01ST August : Aquarian alignments set our minds a-buzzing. Some people will be on top form today, others should take a back seat. According to my prognosis, individuals with a lot to say for themselves will be dominating the scene, while those who have practical plans to pursue may keep their heads down and make as much progress as they can.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
That time of the year is now upon us when communications begin to flow, decisions are easier to take and even vague agreements can be firmed up. You must realise that patience is indeed a virtue and that sometimes fantasies count for more than facts. That has to be a good thing!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
News from abroad is on its way but, while it seems inevitable that some sort of information will arrive, the details and consequences may be unclear for some time to come. You may be in the dark for a week or two - but then that will give you plenty of time to get your act together.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Whatever mistakes you have made in recent times may soon be repeated, but with a difference: this time you'll have a chance to put things right and repair any rifts that have opened up. You see, although some emotional patterns come round again and again, each time your circumstances are different.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You may be finding out that there is no such simple thing as 'good luck'. Every opportunity involves a price; every new responsibility brings you into contact with new challenges and conflicts. It is in dealing with these situations that you mature and grow.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
As from today you are going to find it that much harder to make yourself understood - the world will be full of brick walls, all inviting you to come and bang your head. On the other hand, a little flexibility and tolerance will work wonders - and gather goodwill for the future.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You are still in a fiery phase and, with the correct approach, there is little that you can't achieve. You may, if you wish, sweep all opposition to one side with a single broad gesture. But make sure that you don't get rid of people you need in the process!

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Unless you are careful you may find yourself suddenly left high and dry when friends move on, possibly abandoning agreements that you thought were binding. You must reconsider your own motives over the next week or so - and don't get flustered if other people pressurise you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Recent emotional queries and frustrations are shortly to emerge into the open. However, you will still be personally unwilling to come clean about a number of your hopes, wishes and inner motives. But, then, there is no reason why you should reveal all your deepest desires.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
It's difficult to work out whether you feel worse or better as a result of recent expenditure and purchases. One thing is certain, though, which is that your reactions have been overwhelmingly emotional. Perhaps an older relation has the advice you need - but you'll never know unless you ask.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You're being affected by three different levels of planetary patterns. We'll start today with the short-term alignments that are bringing out your compassionate, maternal instincts but making you rather too sensitive. How about growing a thicker skin?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Anything that happens today will be obscured by shadows, perhaps the ghosts of the past. Your response will be an expanding need for privacy. However, it also seems that there'll be a great deal of routine business to attend to, the sort that keeps you good and busy.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
The next major lunar alignment will bring a healthy dose of excitement. Bear in mind that time is on your side, and that you should therefore spend this week actively defusing the causes of explosive discontent. And, as an added extra, why don't you give partners the benefit of the doubt.

THE PHANTOM

SO I'M NOT THE LAST PHANTOM....
THIS IS ANOTHER THING I DIDN'T HEAR RIGHT THE FIRST TIME, MOZE!
WHEN I STOPPED YOU ON THE TRAIL TO GRAVELINES, I SAID YOUR ACTIONS WOULD END THE JOURNEY OF THE WALKERS IN THIS LAND.
YES... YOU SAID WALKERS.
SAVARNA HAS BUT HER OWN NAME TO GIVE IN THIS OTHER TIME YOU'VE SEEN, IS THAT IT?

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

FACEBOOK REMINDS YOUR FRIENDS TO WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY
AND THEY DON'T HAVE TO BUY YOU PRESENTS
GREG + MORT WALKER
NEXT YEAR I'M POSTING A "WISH LIST"

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WHEN I WAS A KID, WE USED TO SOLVE MATH PROBLEMS ON THE BLACKBOARD
WHAT'S A BLACKBOARD?
IT WAS...YOU KNOW...THE BOARD THAT THE TEACHERS WROTE ON WITH CHALK
CHALK??? WHY?
TELL YOU WHAT, MR. B., JUST TEXT ME THE EXPLANATION
AND I DIDN'T EVEN MENTION CLAPPING ERASERS

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Hard: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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Solutions to Saturday's puzzle

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7	1	8	9	2	6	3	5	4
9	3	6	4	8	5	7	1	2
1	5	2	8	3	9	4	7	6
3	7	9	6	1	4	2	8	5
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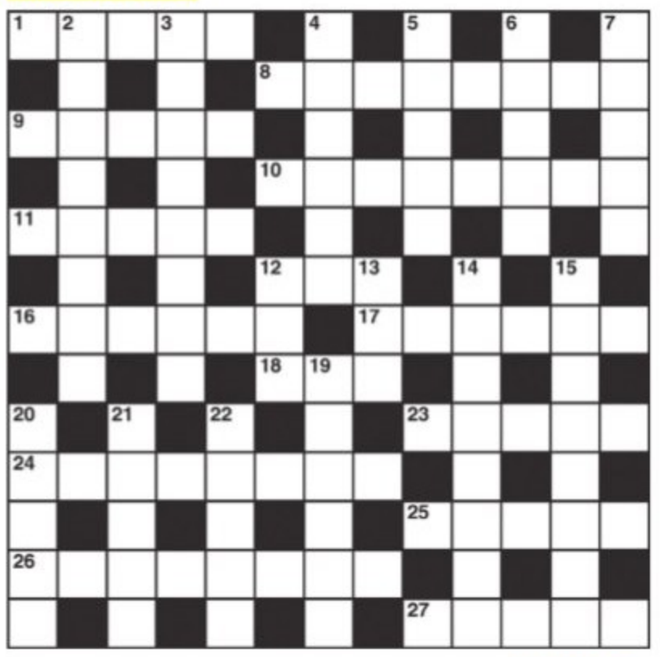
CROSS WORD



ACROSS

1 Travels in France (5)
8 Hardback produced by a printer (8)
9 Stop at a certain point in a case (5)
10 Regard for one of the family (8)
11 Back rents suitably adjusted (5)
12 The label is upside down. It often is (3)
16 Girl with a new angle (6)
17 Real change is starting in the Middle East (6)
18 One great fighter pilot (3)
23 Such insects used to be an afterthought (5)
24 Devious ways to avoid overcrowding in cities (8)
25 Carriage appears to have been upset (5)
26 To encourage debts is false (8)
27 Is prone to untruth? (5)

DOWN

2 Subtle implication but a patently obvious one (8)
3 Keeps back funds (8)
4 She writes an article on exotic trees (6)
5 Experiment in hearing (5)
6 Spring in the country (5)
7 In the rain an eyeshade is silly (5)
12 A sheepish expression (3)
13 Join in the festivities (3)
14 Try a ruse to get Government money (8)
15 Is said to be ordered in advance (8)
19 Soundly examine a bill of exchange (6)
20 Sailor on rough sea becomes humble (5)
21 Make a speech in the gutter (5)
22 It may be set for lunch (5)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Reductions, 6 Tack, 10 Guyed, 11 Captivate, 12 Off to sea, 13 Tempi, 15 Teethes, 17 Singlet, 19 Anthill, 21 Entrain, 22 Yearn, 24 Top speed, 27 Countdown, 28 Noose, 29 Tied, 30 Interceded.

Down: 1 Rage, 2 Day of rest, 3 Cadet, 4 Incises, 5 No plays, 7 Alarm, 8 Keep in tune, 9 Distinct, 14 Steam yacht, 16 Haimets, 18 Leasehold, 20 Let down, 21 Expense, 23 Abuse, 25 Panic, 26 Lead.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

MMEDO

NUAAF

AUQINT

POYDOR

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What's going on?
I think things will calm down when they get more food.
Stop it, you two!
It's mine!
Get off me!
WHEN THE GIANT ASIAN BEARS FOUGHT OVER THE LAST OF THE BAMBOO, IT WAS ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

"_____ _____"

ANSWERS TOMORROW

SATURDAY'S: **Jumbles:**
RHYME FROND GAMBIT LETTER
ANSWER: To create the Traveling Wilburys, the individual artists needed to – BAND TOGETHER

DURATION OF PANDEMIC	CASES REPORTED	DEATHS	DISCHARGES
2 YEARS, 145 DAYS	■ 1,692 ◄ 1,886	■ 2 | ◄ 1	■ 1,094 | ◄ 1,242
		POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
	TALLY	■ 5.91% | ◄ 5.91%	■ 1.00% | ◄ 1.00%
■ TODAY	■ 40,07,363	ACTIVE CASES ■ 11,105	RECOVERY RATE ■ 98.72%
◄ YESTERDAY	◄ 40,05,671	◄ 10,509	◄ 98.73%

B'luru Urban: 1,154	Chamarajanagar: 7	Dharwad: 73	Kolara: 22	Shivamogga: 16
B'luru Rural: 22	Chikkaballapur: 5	Gadag: 2	Koppal: 10	Tumakuru: 26
Bagalkot: 22	Chikkamagaluru: 9	Hassan: 48	Mandya: 24	Udupi: 13
Ballari: 17	Chitradurga: 2	Haveri: 19	Mysuru: 37	U Kannada: 26
Belagavi: 41	D Kannada: 14	Kalaburagi: 31	Raichur: 7	Vijayapura: 3
Bidar: 17	Davanagere: 10	Kodagu: 4	Ramanagara: 0	Yadgir: 0

Ethiopian tests -ve for monkeypox: Sudhakar

He is battling kidney ailments with weak immune system

SHILPA P @ Bengaluru

THE test report of a middle-aged Ethiopian, who had come to Bengaluru in early July and was suspected to have monkeypox symptoms, has returned negative. His report confirmed that it is a case of chickenpox, said Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar.

The African had arrived from Ethiopia on July 4 to undergo a kidney transplant at a private hospital in Bengaluru. He was undergoing dialysis and pre-transplant evaluations. As he showed symptoms of monkeypox, including lesions, samples of his blood and skin lesions were sent to NIV Pune through the Virus Research and Diagnostic Laboratory of BMCRI on Thursday evening. He was isolated and treated at the same private hospital, health department sources said.

His brother and a female cousin too are being monitored. No other samples of suspected cases have been received from any part of the state at VRDL, sources added.

Asked about the Ethiopian contracting chickenpox, sources said that since he is suffering from a kidney issue and is undergoing dialysis, his immune system would be weak. He might have contracted chickenpox earlier in his life and the virus would have manifested now, they added.

This is the second suspect case of monkeypox in the state and tests of both are negative. Earlier, the report of another person from Bengaluru with a travel history to the UK had come back negative.

Dr Sudhakar said that all symptomatic travellers arriving from monkeypox-affected countries to Bengaluru and Mangaluru international airports are being screened for fever, chills, sweats, lymph node swelling, headache, muscle ache, exhaustion, sore throat, cough, or skin rashes, and they are isolated and tested.

INTERSTATE PORK TRANSPORT AND SALE BANNED IN KODAGU

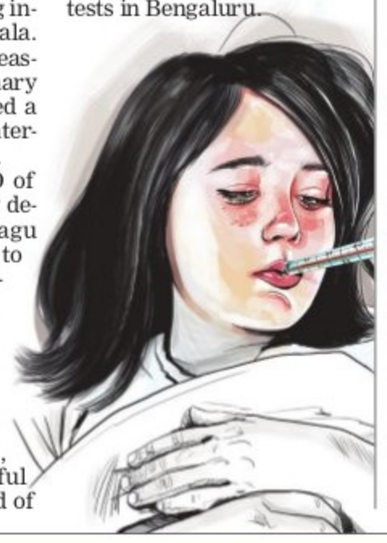
EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Madikeri

FOLLOWING the spread of African Swine Fever (ASF) in neighbouring Kerala state, precautions have been taken in Kodagu to control the spread of the disease. The inter-state transport of pigs and pork has been temporarily banned by the Kodagu veterinary department even as the officials have stated that there is no need for panic.

> Kodagu usually supplies pork to Kerala. However, transport has been temporarily banned as a precautionary measure. Staffers at checkposts are keeping a vigil
>
> Dr Suresh Bhat, DD, district veterinary department

A large population of domestic swine is being infected with ASF in Kerala. As a precautionary measure, the district veterinary department has issued a notification banning inter-state transport of pigs.

Dr Suresh Bhat, DD of the district veterinary department said, "Kodagu usually supplies pork to Kerala. However, transport has been temporarily banned as a precautionary measure. The checkposts in the district are being manned by staffers from the department, who will keep a careful vigil to stop the spread of ASF." The department has also cautioned pig farmers in the district to report to the department if any pig is infected by the virus. Dr Suresh also explained that AFS will not spread from pigs to humans and there is no need for panic. However, the department has issued guidelines to maintain hygiene in the farms to stop the pigs from being infected. The department has also made arrangements to send blood samples of the infected pigs - if any in the future - to laboratory tests in Bengaluru.



LOVE STRAYS

Animal lovers protest against the a proposal to relocate stray dogs in Bengaluru, at Freedom Park on Sunday | SHRIRAM BN

CRIME PATROL

12-yr-old boy falls off second floor balcony, dies

Bengaluru: A 12-year-old boy died after he accidentally fell from the second floor of an apartment in Hulimavu on Saturday afternoon. The deceased Adith P was a Class 7 student at a private school. The family is from Madikeri, and lived in an apartment in Kalena Agrahara, Hulimavu. Police said the incident occurred around 1.30pm on Saturday. Adith, who had gone with his mother to school to attend a parents' meeting, had returned home and was playing in the balcony, and reportedly slipped from the second floor. Hearing a thud, security guards rushed to check and found Adith in a pool of blood. He was rushed to a nearby hospital, where he was declared brought dead. Adith lived with his mother, a software engineer, while his father, a builder, lives in Dubai. "His mother, who was working from home, was attending an office meeting when the mishap occurred. Based on a complaint, a case of unnatural death was registered. The postmortem will be conducted on Monday as Adith's father is yet to return," the police added.

Kebabs 'tasteless', man attacks wife, hangs self

Bengaluru: A 48-year-old garment employee was found hanging from a tree at an empty site near his house a day after attempting to kill his wife for not preparing tasty kebabs. The incident took place in Arakere Layout on Bannerghatta Road. Suresh M and Shalini (42), hail from Kodagu. They have two children. Police said they worked in different garment factories in Bommanahalli. On Wednesday, Suresh asked his wife to prepare chicken kebabs after returning home. Suresh, after tasting them, complained that it was not fried properly which led to a heated argument. Suresh, in a fit of rage, attacked her with an iron rod, injuring her head before taking a kitchen knife and slashing her wrists. As she started screaming, the neighbours rushed to her help and shifted her to a hospital. She is undergoing treatment. Suresh, who had run away from the house fearing that he might be thrashed, was found hanging on Thursday.

Staff crunch persists in Victoria Hospital

NAMRATA SINDWANI @ Bengaluru

DESPITE the Upa Lokayukta, during his surprise visit to Victoria Hospital in early April, revealing that the government-run facility faced staff crunch, irregularities in pharmacies and other discrepancies, many of these problems still persist. Hospital authorities said that no new recruitments have been made, though they have sent a report to the health department, requesting fresh appointments.

Medical Superintendent Dr Ramesh Krishna K had submitted a report to the Lokayukta after the surprise inspection, agreeing that more manpower is needed with rise in patients inflow. The hospital has a daily footfall of around 1,000 patients and pharmacists said that they were being overburdened.

Two pharmacists had been posted on OPD duty because of shortage of staff and a centralised medicine counter was also opened. Officers have been asked to continue their work for now. Under the Smart City project, five electric buggies were allotted to the hospital, but there is a shortage of two drivers, Dr Krishna told the Lokayukta.

Another administrative official said the hospital has 322 nursing staff, who have to work in nine buildings and 22 departments. The hospital is adding more beds, ICUs, wards and OPDs, but is not recruiting new staff, which is affecting quality of care. Budget constraint could be one of the reasons for freezing hiring, he added.

The present staff strength was sanctioned 25 years ago and has not been revised since, officials said. Dr Ravi K, Director-cum-Dean, BMCRI, said the health department was informed about the staff shortage in April, but no action was taken, he added.

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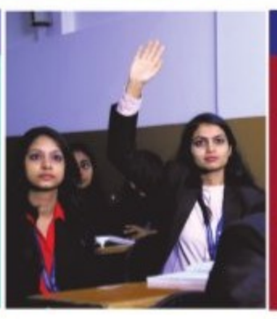

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi appreciated the 'Amrita Bharatige Kannada Aarti' programme organised by the Kannada and Culture Department which is now gaining popularity on social media. The events are intended to spread awareness about patriotism and Independence for which cultural programmes were organised in 75 places across the state, and 75 books related to freedom fighters were released. Special plays and performances were also organised.

Fazil murder case: Owner of assailants' car in police custody

Vehicle found in a secluded area in Udupi district; Samples sent for forensic examination

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru/Udupi

THE owner of the car used by the assailants of Mohammed Fazil has been arrested. Mangaluru city police commissioner N Shashi Kumar said the car was registered in the name of the arrested Ajith Crasta's wife. Crasta is a resident of Surathkal. "Based on CCTV footage, we got the registration number of the car and took its owner Ajith into custody on Saturday evening. He has told us to whom he had given the car, and the interrogation is on," Kumar said.

The police found car abandoned in a secluded area near Kadekunja in Inna village near Padubidri in Udupi district on Sunday. Local people, who spotted the abandoned car, informed the jurisdictional Padubidri police station who inturn alerted the Suratkal police. Samples collected from the car have been sent to the Forensic Science Laboratory in Mangaluru for examination, police said.

5 cases for provocative posts

Mangaluru city police have booked five cases with regard to provocative posts on social media in connection with the murders in Dakshina Kannada. The unidentified accused have been booked under section 66(C) of the IT Act and sections 153(A) and 505(2) of the IPC. ADGP Alok Kumar tweeted that they are scrutinising provocative contents having adverse bearing on public order in social media He also said that legal actions have been initiated against Kali Swamy for his provocative speech with regard murders in DK.

ACP made IO

Mangaluru North Sub-Division ACP Mahesh Kumar was appointed as investigation officer (IO) in Mohammed Fazil murder case. City police chief said that the case was being investigated by Surathkal police inspector Chandrappa. The ACP has been appointed as the IO as the family members of the deceased requested that a high-ranking officer conduct the probe.

Restrictions till Aug 6

Dakshina Kannada Deputy Commissioner KV Rajendra on Sunday issued an order extending the closure of shops and business in the district between 6 pm and 6 am for two more days till Wednesday morning. Prohibitory orders under Section 144 will be in place till August 6 in the district.

Phone calls, social media under lens

CONTINUED FROM P1

ON tension in communally sensitive areas, he said, "We will bring the situation under control." While sources said the police have interrogated several cadres of suspect organisations from both Hindu and Muslim organisations, Jnanendra said some of them have "extreme" views.

The police said they have collected clues of all those who committed the murders and their accomplices. No one will be spared, they added. Phone calls and messages, and social media posts are being monitored to ensure that the situation does not go out of hand, home department sources said.

In Masood's murder case, eight people were arrested and released on bail. They have been given protection, considering that their names are on the hit lists of opponent groups, the sources said. Movements of some violent elements and their support groups too are being closely watched, they added.

NIA probe is eyewash: Hariprasad

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

ALLEGING that handing over the case of BJYM leader Praveen Nettaru's murder indicates the failure of the government, Opposition leader in Legislative Council BK Hariprsad demanded governor Thaawarchand Gehlot to dissolve the state government and impose President's Rule.

After meeting the family members of Masood, Nettaru, and Faizal, Hariprasad said the NIA probe is just an eyewash, and if given a free hand, the state police can crack the case. "The investigation of Paresh Mesta was handed over to CBI five years ago, but no one has been arrested yet," he said.

Taking exception to CM Basavaraj Bommai not visiting the family members of Masood and Faizal, he said Bommai is not eligible to become the CM. "He has acted like the CM of only BJP workers," he said, and accused the BJP of doing politics over the deceased when elections are near.

"People don't think that the probe will be impartial. I demand that the government identify the culprits within 15 days and take action against them. Those who make provocative statements should be booked under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act," he said.

Lashing out at the CM for adopting Uttar Pradesh model statement, he said UP leads in murders, rapes and dacoities, and Karnataka does not need such a model. Earlier, when he visited Nettaru's house along with Billava community leaders Naveen Chandra Suvarna and Rajashekar, BJP workers shouted slogans against him.

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BJP in turmoil, Rahul to hold key Cong meet

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru

WITH Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai led government's 'janothsava' cancelled in the wake of BJYM leader Praveen Nettaru's murder, Congress rank and file are visibly upbeat about a massive rally marking the 75th birthday of leader of opposition Siddaramaiah in Davanagere on August 3.

However, on the eve of the event a special court in New Delhi will pronounce its judgment on KPCC president DK Shivakumar's regular bail plea in a money laundering case in which the ED has filed a chargesheet against him. Shivakumar, who is out on interim bail, and other accused in the case have been instructed to be present.

"If the verdict goes against DKS, it may dampen the spirit of the Congress party workers," said a leader. An unmoved Shivakumar visited Hubballi on Sunday, and supervised the preparations for Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's visit.

Rahul, who will arrive on Tuesday evening, is expected to hold a meeting of senior leaders of the party's political affairs committee including Dr G Parameshwara, BK Hariprasad, Mallikarjun Kharge, MB Patil, Ramalinga Reddy, Dinesh Gundurao, DK Suresh, UT Khader, Ramesh Kumar, KJ George, among others at a hotel.

AICC general secretary KC Venugopal will also take part whereas Randeep Singh Surjewala will skip the meeting for his treatment abroad.

Party's polls strategist for 2023 assembly polls Sunil Kanugol is likely to present a report of the sample survey during the meeting, and discuss strategies for the five zones of the state, sources said.

Supporters to pitch Siddu as CM candidate

For Siddamaiah's birthday bash, over 5 lakh people are expected to take part during which his supporters are likely to project him as the Chief ministerial candidate. Chamarajpet MLA Zameer Ahmed will organise the Muslim community members for the event to back him, they added.

KPCC chief DK Shivakumar receives a rousing welcome in Chitradurga | EXPRESS

Unite, fight against injustices, DKS tells party workers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chitradurga

CALLING upon the Congress party workers to gather strength and fight for the injustices prevailing the society due to the failure of administrative machinery, KPCC president DK Shivakumar on Sunday urged party workers to exhibit their strength on August 3.

Addressing the party workers after paying tribute to former CM S Nijalingappa at Seebara on Pune-Bengaluru NH, he said that on August 15 large number of Congress workers will gather to show their strength to the entire country.

AICC leader Rahul Gandhi will be arriving in Karnataka on August 2 and visit Hubballi to hold key meetings with party leaders and workers. On August 3, he will be travelling to Chitradurga to meet Dr Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru and seek his blessings.

Later, he will be attending Siddaramaiah's birthday event in central Karnataka.

In Chitradurga, the Bharat Jodo padayatra will be held for 4-5 days and about 80 km will be covered, he said. He pointed out that now is the right time to ensure Congress bounces back, and victory march should start from Karnataka.

HANUMAN'S BIRTHPLACE

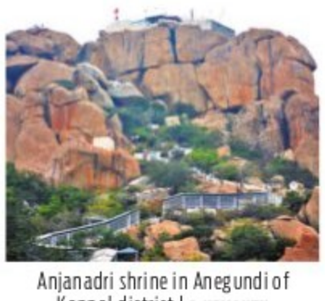
Locals demand Centre's stamp for Anjanadri

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Hubballi

WITH Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai planning his maiden visit to Anjanadri in Anegundi of Koppal district on Monday, residents are demanding that the State Government persuade the Centre to announce the hillock as the birth place of Lord Hanuman.

Several states, including Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra, have been claiming that the birthplace of Hanuman is in their state.

Bommai, who will be landing in a chopper near Anjanadri hills, is expected to scale the hillock to take darshan of the Hanuman shrine. At the base, he will hold a meeting with Koppal district administration and also with the members of Kishkinda Hanuman Janmabhoomi Trust about the planned development works.



Anjanadri shrine in Anegundi of Koppal district | D HEMANTH

"For decades Anjandri has been known as the birthplace of Lord Hanuman. No state in India ever claimed otherwise. These claims are from recent times. There are proofs that Anegundi was the Kishkinda Ramayana. The residents here feel that the Union Government must announce Anjandari as Lord Hanuman's birthplace to put an end to the controversy," said a senior official.

Besides his visit to Anjanadri, Bommai will be inaugurating a 100-bed hospital in Koppal. Bommai will also call upon Gavi Mutt Seer at the mutt before flying back to Bengaluru.

Gavi Mutt Seer Abhinava Gavisiddeshwara Swami had recently announced plans to build a free hostel for poor students which can accommodate and educate 5,000 children, and the state government had recently announced a grant of Rs 10 crores. Tourism Minister Anand Singh who has contributed Rs 1 crore for the same project had led the delegation of MLAs and MPs from Kalyana Karnataka to request CM for the grants.

PROGRAMME EVALUATION ORGANISATION SUGGESTIONS FOR KHADI SECTOR

- Product development and marketing need professional approach
- Policy of retail sale of khadi products through KVIC outlets and own effort of the units must be done away with, as it has led to unintended inventory build-up, malpractices and unsustainable and unjustifiable public spending (rebate, grants)
- Thorough overhaul of marketing strategy for khadi products
- Leave marketing and product development to the private sector, while the semi-processed goods will be produced by KVI units/ institutions under guidance and supervision of KVIC
- Change existing method of supervision and intervention followed by KVIC, as it was ineffective and did not contribute to the primary objective of the scheme

KHADI - THE ICON OF INDIA DYING A SLOW DEATH

AMIT S UPADHYE

IF you come across khadi material or a neatly finished outfit at any regular shop in your city, take a closer look. It could be duplicate or lookalike khadi material which is currently in fashion. Ironically, there are hardly any takers for real khadi, which is dying a slow death.

The development of Khadi and Village Industries (KVI) aimed at meeting the twin objectives of self-reliance through local production, and seeking active participation of the poor in the struggle for Independence, through the removal of hunger and unemployment.

Its potential as an instrument of poverty alleviation was also recognised by our early planners. Accordingly, the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) was created by an Act of Parliament to plan, promote and organise their systematic development and expansion.

A study conducted by the Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of the Planning Commission, way back in March 2001, through a sample survey of 176 Khadi & Village Industries (KVI) units, 730 beneficiary households spread over 32 blocks in 18 states found that the planning and implementation mechanisms in the khadi industry were weak, as the linkages between production, sales and employment generation were not adequately considered.

Monitoring of this sector was weak, and the database used for planning and management decisions did not represent the grassroots realities. In terms of output, sales, job creation and efficiency in use of resources, the performance of the village industry sector was found to be better than that of the khadi sector.

The study also found that it was possible to run the scheme with a reasonable level of fiscal support if certain corrective measures, as suggested in the report, are taken.

However, even after more than two decades, there are multiple reasons to blame, and the iconic khadi is slowly making its way out of homes, offices, markets, hostels and hotels.

The Central and state governments, which once supported khadi industries by giving rebate of up to 40 per cent, have withdrawn it in the changing scenario. The age-old rebate on khadi is now called "the manufacturer's development allowance", but the delay in releasing the money to the industries is among the reasons for weakening the sector. There have been instances of khadi units not getting development allowance for many years.

Now, many social activists and khadi experts are voicing it to reinstall khadi as a national icon, especially after the Central government brought an amendment to the National Flag Code, allowing polyester flags to flutter this Independence Day.

The activists claim that the plan for 'Har Ghar Tiranga' was made two years ago, and the government could have prebooked the flags in khadi which could have given a robust boost for the limping industry.

"Khadi is an icon and represents the entire hand-making sector. It's a sacred economy. You cannot just shift to some other economy. The government initially made tall promises, but most of the promises to uplift hand-making industries have remained mere promises," says playwright and social activist Prasanna Heggodu.

"The dependency on machines will kill the economy. What's sad is that in India, we could have turned the tables and brought in a hand-making economy both as an economic alternative and also as an environmental alternative. Instead, the Central government closed down the hand-making industry unit in Chitradurga. The Khadi Commission is actually killing khadi in India. The bureaucrat-centric Commission is busy branding khadi without knowing the ground reality," he points out.

Shivanand Mathapati, Secretary of Karnataka Khadi Gramodyoga Samyukta Sangha (Federation) of Hubballi, points out that government departments and hostels have stopped taking khadi products such as bedsheets, carpets, towels and others, which is among many reasons why some of the village industries in Karnataka are unable to put up a fight in the competitive market," he points out.

Boards like Khadi Commission and state units must have members who are experts on khadi or have worked in units like Bengeri (in Hubballi) to understand the issues of workers, availability of raw material and others.

"For instance, senior officials of the board must know how many metres of flag khadi units in his jurisdiction can produce in a year. We believe there were no officials to explain the importance of the khadi flag or give orders in advance, so that village industries could be revived to meet the emerging demand. Many youngsters join khadi boards with just a degree in textiles. These youngsters must be enrolled in khadi units in districts to understand the ground reality and also why the popularity of khadi is going down," he said.

"The khadi industry in India was in its golden era when Mahatma Gandhi started the movement of making khadi at the village-level, and the second time after we got Independence. But successive governments kept ignoring the khadi industry, and competition from the market is pushing it to the brink. While the village poor were dependent on the khadi industry, half of them moved to agriculture after thousands of villages in India started irrigation. But still there is hope. There are many khadi loving people who insist on khadi in many materials. But their tribe must grow," Mathapati adds.

Khadi experts also point out that the fashion industry must take up khadi branding seriously. Also, one should not buy duplicate khadi products available in the market. "There have been several attempts in the past to establish regular khadi wear in the fashion industry. Many designers have come out with modern outfits in formal and party wear using khadi material. But there are a number of non-khadi dress materials that are available in the market for a lesser price," points out a fashion writer.

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Netas and the five-year itch

They say a politician lives from one election to another. Come elections and they get hyperactive. Many MLAs from ruling and opposition benches have suddenly started showing concern for their constituents' welfare, now that polls are just about eight months away. They have realised that the needy need many things, among them uniforms and notebooks. One city MLA remembered his student constituents on the occasion of his birthday, and gave away about 35,000 notebooks and uniforms. He later went on a social media blitzkrieg to announce to all and sundry about his good deeds. Whether from the BJP, Congress or JDS, at the end of the day, politicians are just that -- politicking politicians.

Slip between the shepherd & Dalit

When Opposition leader Siddaramaiah became CM in 2013, his Kuruba community launched an organisation, Shepherd International. With 2023 polls fast approaching, Siddu has resorted to Dravidian politics. He used the Aryan and Dravidian theory to attack the RSS, and it paid off. Tamil Nadu-based Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi and its MP Thirumavalavan conferred the 'Ambedkar Sudar' award on him in Chennai on Saturday. He claimed himself to be a staunch Ambedkarite. BJP is likely to pick on this point as he had allegedly snubbed Dalit leaders, observe political pundits.

BJP continues to woo backward classes

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BJP is resorting to caste mathematics to win the 2023 Assembly polls as the party high command seems to have realised the necessity of it.

It is evident from the fact that it nominated backward 'Koli' community leader Baburao Chinchansur for the lone Legislative Council seat, even though he is a relative newcomer to the party, having joined BJP from Congress only in 2018.

"We have enough Veerashaiva-Lingayat community leaders in the party. That is why we nominated Chinchansur to woo the Koli community in the Hyderabad-Karnataka region," said a BJP leader with RSS origins. What drew the high command's attention to Chinchansur was his ability to get his former guru-turned-foe Mallikarjun Kharge defeated in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.

The party has been focussing on the SC-ST-OBC combination as it feels it will be difficult to win the elections if adequate representation is not given to members of these communities. The decision is also to counter Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah's move to woo OBCs. The minorities and Kurubas could favour Siddaramaiah, but other communities, including a section of Dalits and OBCs, are averse to his leadership, and that is why BJP is trying to get their support, a BJP leader observed.

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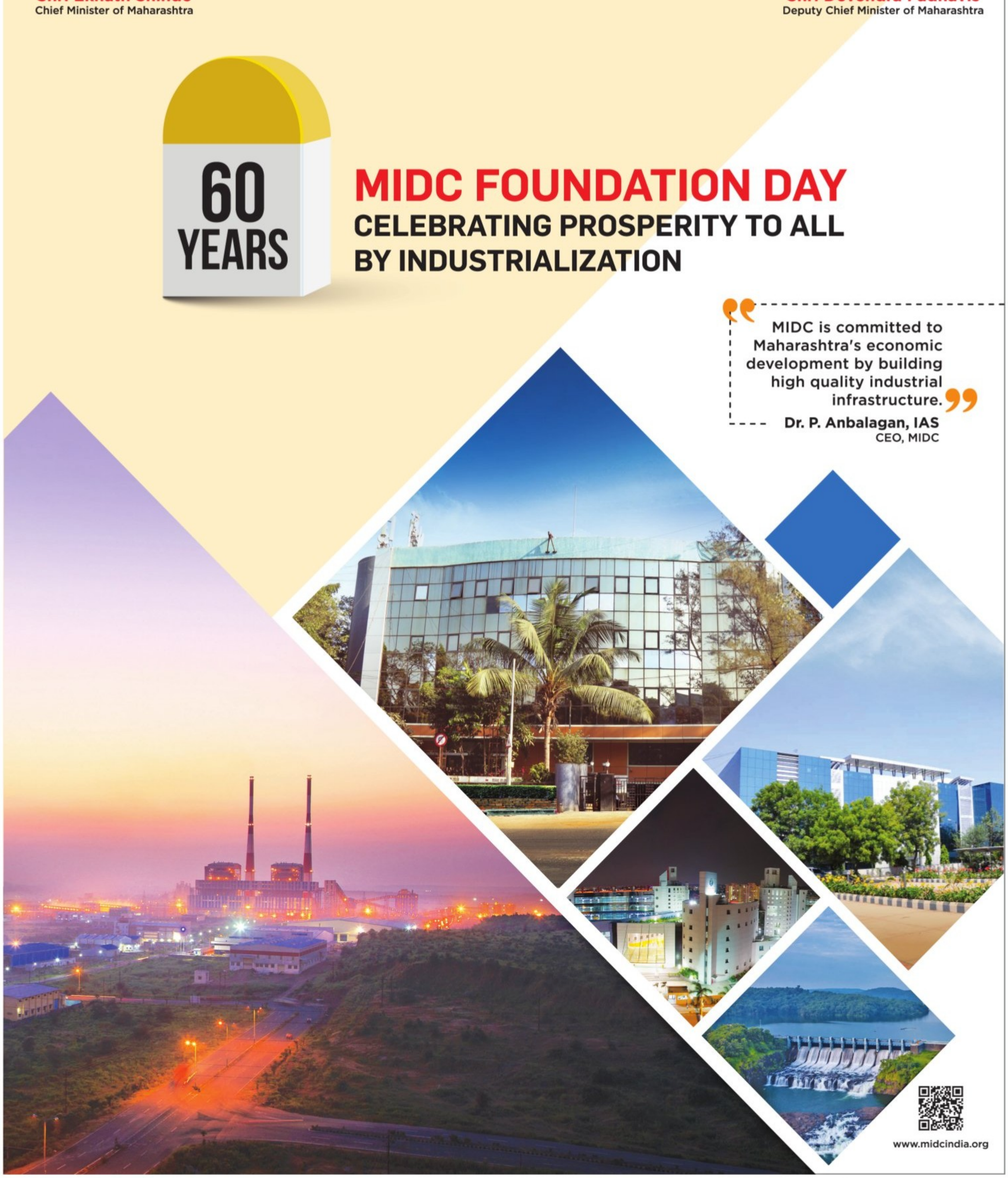

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Letter No. 471 **NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING** Dated 30.07.2022

Date Extension-10

In reference to E-Tender No: 01/GM(Civil)/Lakhwar/UJVNL/2021-22 for Balance civil works for Construction of 204m high concrete gravity dam, Intake, (3X100 MW) capacity underground Power House and appurtenant works on river Yamuna of Lakhwar Multipurpose Project in District- Dehradun/Tehri Garhwal (Uttarakhand).

The amended dates of bid are as below:
Bid submission start Date 20-08-2022 from 17:00 Hrs
Last date for submission of bids on website 31-08-2022 up to 17:00 Hrs
For full & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal "http://uktenders.gov.in"

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Phone : 08382-226514 / 9480843047 Email: ddswo.Karwar@gmail.com

ನಂ.ಉನಿಸಕಇಕಾ/ಕವಶಿಸಸ/ಮೂಲಭೂತ ಸಾಮಗ್ರಿ/ಸಿಆರ್-14/2022-23 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 28.07.2022

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ಸಹಿ/- (ಅಜ್ಜಪ್ಪ ಸೊಗಲದ್, ಕ.ಸಾ.ಸೇ),
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DIPR/ADK/MCA/ / 22-23 dt.30.07.2022

Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Limited

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
No-6/13/1, 10th Block, 2nd Stage, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560072.
Telephone: 080-22282220 e-Mail: kredlmd@gmail.com

NO: KREDL/SG/992/2022-23 Date: 29.07.2022

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Type of Bidding: National Competitive Bidding (NCB)
Mode of Bidding: Open tender, Single Stage Two Envelope
Competitive Bidding

The Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Limited (KREDL), Government of Karnataka undertaking hereby invites notification **for selection of Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Contractor for Design, Engineering, Supply, Construction, Erection, Testing, Commissioning and O&M of 5 MW (AC) Solar PV Power Plant (7 MWp DC) with 5 MW / 16 MWh Battery Energy Storage System having 10 years Plant O&M at Pavagada Ultra Mega Solar Park of Tumakuru District in Karnataka.** Bid documents will be available in the e-procurement portal **"www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in"** on or after **04.08.2022.** This Notification is also available at website: **"www.kredl.karnataka.gov.in".**

Note: KREDL reserves the right to annul the bidding process and invite fresh bids without liability or obligation for such invitation and without assigning any reasons.

Sd/- Assistant General Manager-SG KREDL

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, **Smt. REGINA**, aged 58 Years, W/o Sri. L. Roses Lois, r/at No.11, 2nd Cross, Sri Saibaba Temple Street, Vadara Palya, Bangalore-560043, Tel No.9008673132, have lost the original document : **ABSOLUTE SALE DEED, Registered as Document No.11659, Dated : 17-09-2003**, at the Office of the Sub Registrar, K.R. Puram, Bangalore. If anybody found, please return back the same to my above address or call on Telephone. Registered Police Complaint in this regard.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Site No.11, Katha No.30, situated at Amanibyrathi Khane Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, and measuring East to West : 30 Feet, and North to South : 40 Feet, forming a total area of 1200 square feet and bounded on: **East by:** Site No.12, **West by:** Site No.10, **North by:** 20 Feet Road, **South by:** Private Property.

Sd/- **Smt. REGINA**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that, my client Mr.Syed AfzalS/o Late Al Haj Syed Ahmed, resident of Bangalore is willing to purchase the Schedule property, morefully described under the Schedule hereunder from its owner Smt.Nageen Taj W/o Inayathulla Khan R/at No.289A, 60 Feet, Road, Talacavery Layout, Amruthahalli, Sahakaranagar Post, Bangalore North 560092. Rep. by her GPA Holder namely Sri.Sadakhat Ulla Khan S/o Ahmed Ulla Khan.

Any person having any right, title, interest or claim in the Schedule Property other than its ownerSmt.Nageen Taj shall inform the undersigned along with all supporting documents establishing their claim within seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice.

If no claim/objection is received within stipulated time, it will be understood that the Schedule Property is free from all encumbrances and my client would proceed further.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing survey no.35, I Block, Sampigehalli Village, YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk measuring 0-06.6(Six Point Six Guntas) bounded on:
East by: Private Property
West by: Private Property
North by: Road
South by: Private Property
Date: 01-08-2022

NAVEED AHMED, Advocate
AHMED ASSOCIATES
No.19/19, 1st Floor, Miller Road, 1st Cross, Benson Town, Bangalore 560046
Ph: 9620245382, 9980283463, 9972247710
email: seenaveed@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information to General Public that my client Sri. Shivaprakash A, S/o Sri. Anjinappa S.K., residing at No. 24, Ramaiah Garden, Royal School, Kadugoid, Bengaluru - 560 087, my client entered into an agreement of sale with Sri. Suresh M, S/o Sri,. Muniswam and Smt. M. Geetha, both are residing at No. 44, 8th Cross, Kundalahalli Colony, Bangalore - 560 037, agreeing to purchase the schedule property mentioned in the schedule. My client has given a police complaint on 28-07-2022 regarding lost the registered original sale deed dated 12-05-2006, the police authorities have issued acknowledgement vide SI. No. 0279421/2022 dated 28-07-2022, executed by Sri. L.A. Prabhu S/o Sri. R.T. Lawrence in favour of Smt. Padma Bai @ Padma, W/o Sri. Narayan Singh, registered as Document No. KRI-1-04963/2006-07, stored in CD No. KRID214 in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru.

And person(s) claiming any right, title or interest or whatsoever nature over the schedule property is called upon to lodge such claim with the undersigned, with supporting documents within 7 days from the date of this publication. In the event no such claim(s) is received within the stipulated time, it shall be lawful to presume that there are no valid claim(s) to Sri. Shivaprakash A right, title and interest in the schedule property and proceed with proposed sale transaction.

The advertisement for the lost of the above documents was published in local news paper (METRO) dated April 4th 2016. Which was incomplete and wasn't as per the criteria of the Bank. Hence re-assigned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Khata No. 1009, Old Khata No. 578, Property No. 301/3, Situated at Kadugodi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, (BBMP), measuring, East to West 33 feet and North to South 33 feet, totally measuring 1089 square feet, with construction building ground floor, 1st and floor, and bounded on

East by : Property belongs to Sri. Chinna Reddy S/o Appaiah Reddy
West by : 10 Feet Road
North by : Site No. property No. 301/3
South by : Property belongs to Smt. Mamtaz W/o Sri. Basheer

Sri. B. Dinesh, Advocate,
No.16, Second Floor, Padmavathi Arcade,
1st Main Road, N.R. Colony, Bangalore-560019.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our Client intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from **HIGHEND PROPERTIES PRIVATE LIMITED,** a company incorporated under the Indian Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at NSL Icon, 8-2-684/2A, Plot No. 1 to 4, 4th Floor, Road No. 12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad - 500034, represented by its Authorised Signatory **Mr. Atluri Divakar** appointed through a Board Resolution dated 25.07.2022 **("Owner").**

The Owner has represented that it is the absolute owner and is in possession of the Schedule Property and the Schedule Property is free from any kind of encumbrance, suits, proceedings under any statute. Any person or persons asserting any right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever in the Schedule Property or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lien, gift, inheritance, bequest, possession, lis pendens, maintenance, easement, memorandum of understanding, agreement, power of attorney, option, right of first refusal, pre-emption or otherwise whatsoever is hereby required to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within a period of **Ten (10) days** from the date of issuance of this notice with all documentary proof thereof failing which our Client will treat the title of the Schedule Property as clear and marketable and will proceed to enter into the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No. 1 : - All that piece and parcel of Office Premises Unit bearing No. 104 on the First Floor of 'A' Wing measuring 12324 sq. ft., of super built up area having BBMP Khatha No. 524/160/179/FF-104 along with 16 numbers of covered car parking in the basement of the Building known as **"EMBASSY SIGNET",** constructed on the converted land bearing Sy. No. 13/1 measuring 2 Acres 17 Guntas situated at Kadubisanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru; and also having absolute right, title and interest over the undivided share of land measuring 5703.13 sq. ft., and currently situated within the limits of the BBMP Ward No. 150-Bellandur, Bengaluru.

Item No. 2 : - All that piece and parcel of Office Premises Unit bearing No. 104 on the First Floor of 'A' Wing measuring 8798 sq. ft., of super built up area having BBMP Khatha No. 526/160/179/FF-104 along with 4 numbers of covered car parking in the basement of the Building known as **"EMBASSY SIGNET",** constructed on the converted land bearing Sy. No. 13/1 measuring 2 Acres 17 Guntas situated at Kadubisanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru; and also having absolute right, title and interest over the undivided share of land measuring 4071.41 sq. ft., and currently situated within the limits of the BBMP Ward No. 150-Bellandur, Bengaluru.

Item No. 3 : - All that piece and parcel of Office Premises Unit bearing No. 104 on the First Floor of 'A' Wing measuring 676 Sq. Ft., of super built up area having BBMP Khatha No. 525/160/179/FF-104 along with 1 covered car parking in the basement of the Building known as **"EMBASSY SIGNET",** constructed on the converted land bearing Sy. No. 13/1 measuring 2 Acres 17 Guntas situated at Kadubisanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru; and also having absolute right, title and interest over the undivided share of land measuring 312.83 sq. ft., and currently situated within the limits of the BBMP Ward No. 150-Bellandur, Bengaluru.

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Office Premises Unit bearing No. 104 on the First Floor of 'A' Wing admeasuring 21,798 Sq. Ft., of super built up area having BBMP khatha Nos. 524/160/179/FF-104, 526/160/179/FF-104, 525/160/179/FF-104 along with 21 numbers of covered car parking in the basement of the Building known as **"EMBASSY SIGNET",** constructed on the converted land bearing Sy. No. 13/1 measuring 2 Acres 17 Guntas situated at Kadubisanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru; and also having absolute right, title and interest over the undivided share of land measuring 10,087.37 sq. ft., and currently situated within the limits of the BBMP Ward No. 150-Bellandur, Bengaluru and compositely bounded as follows: -

On the East : Land of P Ramaiah;
On the West : Government Canal;
On the North : Land of Ramaswamy; and
On the South : Land of Venkataswamy.

Sadananda P Naganur/Ashi Parashar
Sadananda & Co., Legal Consultant
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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act.) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (the said Rules). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the said Rules, the **Authorised Officer of IIFL Home Finance Ltd. (IIFL HFL) (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.)** has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the Borrower(s) to pay within **60 days** from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest from the date(s) of Demand Notice till the date of payment. The detail of the Borrower(s), amount due as on date of Demand Notice and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
Mrs. Rajeshwari N Mrs.Saraswathi Bai H **(Prospect No 946860)**	**28 - Jul - 2022 & Rs.30,78,031.00/-** (Rupees Thirty Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Thirty One Only)	All that piece and parcel of the property being : Property bearing New Municipal No. 3/4-1, at 2nd Cross, Lingaiahnapalya, Ulsoor, Bangalore 560 008 in Ward No.75-Jougupalya, Property IJ) No. 75-51- 3/4-1 (earlier Property bearing Bangalore City Corporation Old No. 3/2 New No. 3/4 , in Ward No.75, 2nd Cross, Lingaiahnapalya, Ulsoor, Bangalore 560 008), now within the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 22.6 Feet and North to South: 24 Feet totally measuring 542.4 Square Feet along with House, BOUNDED ON THE :- East by : Lingaiahnapalya 3rd Cross Road, West by: Remaining Property of the Vendor., North by : Property belongs to V.N. Poornima, South by : Drainage

If the said Borrowers fail to make payment to IIFL HFL as aforesaid, IIFL HFL may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act, and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrowers. For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office : "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, RichmondRoad, Bengaluru-560025. / or Corporate Office: IIFL Tower,/ Corporate Office: IIFL Tower,** Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place:Bangalore, Date:01-08-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Kolar Division, Kolar-563101

e-mail : eeklr@kpwd.gov.in, website: www.kpwd.gov.in
e-portal : http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
Phone No. 08152-222022, Fax No.: 08152-227443

e-Tender Notification - K.W - 4
Tender notification No. 11/2022-23 Dt: 27.07.2022

Tender is invited through e-Procurement for 2 court building construction works in the limits of Kolar & Srinivasapura Taluk Public Works Department from the Class-I PWD Registered Contractors under **H/A: 4059-80-051-0-32-386-court** buildings. Amount put to tender: Minimum **Rs.1500.00 Lakhs**. Maximum **Rs.2500.00 Lakhs.** EMD Amount: Minimum **Rs.15.00 Lakhs**. Maximum **Rs.25.00 Lakhs.** Period for completion of work: Minimum **20 months**.

Contractors may download the tender documents KW-4 from Karnataka State e-Procurement portal **(viz.,htpp://eproc.karnataka.gov.in).** Filled in tenders shall be uploaded on or before: **4.00 p.m. on 13.09.2022** through Karnataka State e-Procurement portal. Tender received will be opened after: **4.30 p.m. on 14.09.2022** in e-Procurement. Further details regarding the works and also for details about this tender notification please contact e-Procurement portal and also you may contact this office during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, Kolar Division, kolar

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Ref. No.VTU/BGM/RE/Quot/2022-23/2422 Date:29 JUL 2022

Invitation for Item Rates for Synthetic Track

The quotation is invited from the reputed Firms / Agency by the Registrar, Visvesvaraya Technological University, "Jnana Sangama", Belagavi-18, for the items detailed below. The rate quotations are to be submitted on or before 10.8.2022 to the undersigned.

Item No:1:Item Description:Synthetic Track ; Synthetic Track ; Providing and laying Synthetic track FULL PUR EPDM SYSTEM as per drawing and as per world athletics (WA) specification/requirement and standard markings on the surface including getting the world athletic class II certification and class I category field test from world athletics accredited laboratory and conforming to the fallowing points (a) Without recycled rubber (b) All material to be used for synthetic surface be all imported from well established and reliable Germany based firm (PURPLASTIC OR REGUPOL COMPACT) or Switzerland based firm (CONIPUR V MAX) with import certificate from foreign firm (c) Synthetic material should be of TERRACOTA RED COLOUR normal stress area with a minimum thickness of 15mm of finished track surface,Unit:Sqm, Item, No:2:Item Descrip tion: High stress area with a minimum thickness of 20 mm of finished track surface,Unit:Sqm, Item, No:3:Item Descrip tion:High stress area with a minimum thickness of 25 mm of finished track surface, Unit:Sqm,Item, No:4:Item Descrip tion:Construction of Steeplecase pit inside North D portion as per IAAF drawing and directed by Engineer in charge, Unit:Nos, Item No:5:Item Description:Supply of sports equipments materials for conducting various events a) Pole-vault boxes,Unit:Nos, Item No:6:Item Description: Providing Covers for pole-vault including synthetic top,Unit:Nos, Item No:7:Item Description:Providing and supplying Take off tray,Unit:Nos, Item No:8:Item Descrip tion:Providing and supplying Take off wooden board, Unit:Nos, Item No:9:Item Description:Providing and supplying Dummy board with synthetic top,Unit:Nos,Item No:10:Item Description:Providing and supplying Hammer com discuss ring with cage,Unit:Nos, Item No:11:Item Description: Providing and supplying Short put rings with toe board,Unit:Nos, Item No:12:Item Description:Providing Aluminium kerbing,Unit:Nos, Item No:13:Item Description: Providing and supplying water jump hurdle,Unit:Nos, Item No:14:Item Description:Providing and supplying Hammer rim with cage,Unit:Nos,Rate [in Rs.]: -,Rate [in Wards]: -

Sd/-
Registrar, VTU, Belagavi

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-633/MCA/2022-23

City Municipal Council, Bhadravathi

Tarikere Road, Bhadravathi, Shivamogga District.
Ph:08282-266356 Web:www.bhadravathicity.mrc.gov.in
Email: itstaff_ulb_bhadravathi@yahoo.com,
No.: CMCB/HD/JE1/CR/06/2022-23 Date: 28.07.2022

Tender Notice
(Through e-procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka)

Tender is invited through e-procurement portal and Gem Portal as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act & as per Karnataka Standard Bid Document – KG-1/KG-2, KC-6/KC-7/KC-10 under various Grants for the year 2022-23 in Health Department of City Municipal Council, Bhadravathi. Tenderers interested in participating in the tender can submit their Rates within 4.00 PM on 11.08.2022 through e-procurement portal http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

1. Last date for submission of tender through e-procurement portal: 11.08.2022 up to 4.00 PM. **2.** Date of opening tender through e-procurement: 12.08.2022 (after 4.30 PM) through online. If the said date is declared a holiday then the next day will be considered. **3.** Cost of Form and EMD Amount can be obtained from e-portal. **4.** Regarding uploading of tender contact e-portal Helpline 080-22485867 or 080-25501216. Further details can be obtained from www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and the Office of Municipal Commissioner City Municipal Council, Bhadravathi / Assistant Executive Engineer, City Municipal Council, Bhadravathi.

Sd/- Municipal Commissioner, City Municipal Council, Bhadravathi

DIPR/smg/No.170/07/mca/22-23/684

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

CUB TRUST AND EXCELLENCE SINCE 1904

POSSESSION NOTICE (Immovable Properties)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** having its **Administrative Office** at **No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001** and one of the Branch Offices at **No.349, Komarala Towers, OTC Road, Chickpet Main Road, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Urban - 560053, Sultanpet Branch** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) & (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **17-11-2021** calling upon the borrowers **No.1) M/s. Sri Lakshmi Motor Services Private Limited, No.21/1, Industrial Surab, 2nd Stage, Opp. to CMTI, Tumkur Road, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru - 560022. Also at, M/s. Sri Lakshmi Motor Services Private Limited, 4th Floor, TTMC Building, BMTC, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru - 560022. No.2) Mr. Shankar, S/o. Maraiah, No.202, Ramanashree Arcade, Opp. to CMTI, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru - 560022. No.3) Mrs. Renuka Shankar, W/o. Shankar, No. 202, Ramanashree Arcade, Opp. to CMTI, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru - 560022** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs.34,11,04,698/- (Rupees Thirty Four Crore Eleven Lakh Four Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Eight Only)** within **60 days** from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from **21-10-2021** with monthly rests.

The borrowers above named having failed to repay the amount despite the receipt of the above referred statutory notice, NOTICE is hereby given to the borrowers above named and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the Property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 29-07-2022 - For Schedule - A, 30-07-2022 - For Schedule - C & 29-07-2022 - For Schedule - F.

The borrowers above named in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of City Union Bank Ltd. for an amount of **Rs.36,96,10,269/- (Rupees Thirty Six Crore Ninety Six Lakh Ten Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Nine Only)** and interest thereon from **22-07-2022** till the repayment of entire dues.

The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Note:- That our **054 - Bengaluru-Sultanpet Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR: 501812080079918) dated **07-07-2021** requested by No.1 of you represented by No.2 of you as Director for which No.2 of you stood as Co-Obligant and Nos.2 and 3 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.1,00,00,000/-** at a ROI of **11%.** The same has been also classified as NPA on **20-09-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **21-07-2022** is **Rs.1,12,25,423/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **22-07-2022** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A:
Property - 1: (Property Owned by Mr. Shankar, S/o. Maraiah)

All that piece and parcel of the property situated at Sy.Nos.352 & 352/2 (Old), converted Khata No.777, K. Shetti Halli Village, Srirangapatna Taluk, Mandya District. Measuring: 01 Acre 19½ Guntas and bounded on the:- East by - Remaining Portion same Sy.No., West by - Road, North by - Sy.No.353, South by - Sy.No.271.

Place: Mandya District, Date: 29-07-2022

Schedule - C:
Property - 1: (Property Owned by Mrs. Renuka Shankar, W/o. Shankar)

Schedule - A:- All that piece and parcel of the land bearing portion of Site No.20, Industrial Suburb, Yeswanthpur 2nd Stage, Tumkur Service Road, Bangalore - 560022, within the limits of BBMP. Measuring:- East to West - 91.2 ft., South to North - 145.5 ft., in all measuring 13,250 Sq.ft., and bounded on the:- East by - Portion of Site No.20, West by - 4th Main Road, South by - Portion of Site No.21, North by - Service Road.

Schedule - B:- All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat No.304 on the Second Floor of the Block - B, Khatha No.20/B - 304 the unique property I.D (PID.No.11-50-20/B-304) of the building known as "Ramana Jyothi Apartment Complex" constructed on Schedule - A Property along with 142 Sq.ft .,undivided share in Schedule - A there to (Including one half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the flat and the floors of the flat above it and internal walls and external walls between such levels) containing one bed room admeasuring total 634.61 Sq.ft., of super built-up area. The Schedule - B Property provided with one open car parking area, Vide Open Car Park No.12 in the Multistoried Residential Apartment in Ground Floor, with Concealed Wiring, Mosaic Flooring, Modern Sanitary Fittings in Toilets, inclusive of Common Areas, facilities and amenities attributable thereto.

Place: Bangalore, Date: 30-07-2022

Schedule - F:
Property - 1: (Property Owned by M/s. Sri Lakshmi Motor Service Private Limited)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Plot No.562 E & F in Sy.No.86/ P, in the Hassan Growth Centre, Industrial Area, situated at Samudravalli, Shanthigrama, Hobli Taluk, Hassan District. Measuring 7,977 Sq.mtrs., and bounded on the:- East by - Plot No.562-D, West by - Plot No.561-A, North by - KIADB Road No.1, South by - KIADB Road No.14.

Place: Hassan District, Date: 29-07-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai- 600058

PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Ltd. will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) / Co Borrowers/ Guarantors Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	M/S Sarveswaras Represented by Proprietor N Vijay No.6/52, Selvavinayargar Koil Street, Near Cementry Road, Washermenpet, Chennai - 600021 (Borrower) N Vijay C S Alfred Parbhu (Guarantor) Loan Account No. 000105034938	Chennal-South Registration District, Pallavaram Sub-Registration District, Kancheepuram District, within Sholinganallur Taluk, Sunnambu Kolathur Village, the vacant Plot bearing Nos. 30 and 39 at Maxworth Nagar (Layout approval No. DTCP No. 373/73) admeasuring East to West 13 feet 09 inches on the northern side, 32 feet 02 inches on the southern side and North to South 97 feet 09 inches on both sides, i.e., having an extent of 2262 Sq. feet comprised in Survey Nos. 413/8 and 413/9. Boundaries: On the East by land comprised in Survey No. 413 Part, On the West by Plot Nos. 40 & 962D, On the North by Road On the South by land comprised in Survey No. 422. Together with all the buildings and structures thereon, rights, fixtures, fittings and all plant and machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth, both present and future	Rs. 5,52,48, 229/- as on (June 30, 2022)	Rs. 89,80,000/- / Rs. 8,98,000/-	August 11, 2022 from 12:00 Noon to 01:30 PM	August 24, 2022 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

The online auction will be conducted on website **(URL Link- https://disposalhub.com)** of our auction agency **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited.**

The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **August 23, 2022** before **05:00 PM** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Bank limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai- 600058** on or **August 23, 2022** before **03:00 PM** and thereafter they need to submit their offer through the above mentioned website only on or before **August 23, 2022** before **05:00 PM** along with scan image of Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer through the website then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at **ICICI Bank limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai- 600058** on or before **August 23, 2022** before **05:00 PM** Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/Scheduled Bank in favour of **"ICICI Bank Limited"** payable at **Chennai.**

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the E-Auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact **ICICI Bank Limited** on **7550214251/ 9004474395** or **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited** on **9810029926/ 01244233933**

Please note that Marketing agencies **1. M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited. 2. MatexNet Pvt Ltd (Contact on 8939805544) 3. Augeo Asset Management Pvt (Contact on 9841638849)** have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **www.icicibank.com/n4p4s**

Date: August 01, 2022
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

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RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,71,74,714/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy One Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Fourteen only)** as on **26-07-2022** together with further interest to be charged from **27-07-2022** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Sri Venkateshwara Enterprises (proprietor T. Chikkanna), No.19, Hosakerahalli, Dattatreyanagar, Banashankari, 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560085. No.2) Mr. T. Chikkanna, S/o. Timmaiah, No.19, Hosakerahalli, Dattatreyanagar, Banashankari, 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560085. No.3) Mrs. Padmavathi B, W/o. T. Chikkanna, No.19, Hosakerahalli, Dattatreyanagar, Banashankari, 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560085. No.4) Mr. C. Kishore Kumar, S/o. T. Chikkanna, No.19, Hosakerahalli, Dattatreyanagar, Banashankari, 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560085.**

Note : That our **233-Bengaluru-Vijay Nagar Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090018553) dated **20-10-2020** requested by No.1 of you represented by No. 2 of you as Proprietor for which Nos.2, 3 and 4 of you stood as Co-obligants and Nos. 3 & 4 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 6,64,531/-** at a ROI of **13%**. The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **30-11-2020** and the outstanding balance as on **26-07-2022** is **Rs.8,24,076/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Twenty Four Thousand and Seventy Six only)** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **27-07-2022** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mrs. Padmavathi B, W/o. T. Chikkanna)

Item 1 : All that piece and parcel of the Western portion of the property bearing Site No.19, Khatha No.3/1, New Municipal No.58, PIS No.55-414-58 situated in 2nd Main Road, Hosakerehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore formerly situated at Hosakerahalli Village, Uttharahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes under BBMP Ward No.55, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 15 feet and North to South : 40 feet, Total : 600 Sq.ft. and bounded as follows: East by : Site No.20, West by : Remaining portion Eastern Side same property No.19, North by : 25 feet Road, South by : Site No.22. On this Site building with Plinth Area of Ground Floor - 1,035 Sq.ft., 1st Floor, 1,035 Sq.ft. exists. **Item 2 :** All that piece and parcel of the Western portion of the property bearing Site No.20, Khatha No.3/1, New Municipal No.75, PID No.55-414-75, situated in 2nd Main Road, Hosakerahalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore formerly situated at Hosakerehalli Village, Uttharahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes under BBMP Ward No.55, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 24 feet and North to South 40 feet in all 960 Sq.ft. and bounded as follows: East by : Road, West by : Site No.19, North by : Road, South by : Site No.21.

Reserve Price : Rs.1,40,00,000/-
(Rupees One Crore Forty Lakh only)

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mr. C. Kishore Kumar, S/o. T. Chikkanna)

All that piece and parcel of the Site Bearing No.311, Khatha No.111, formed in Survey No.42/1, of Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Earlier Ward No.31 of Dasarahalli CMC, presently within limits of BBMP Ward No.73, Bangalore measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 1,200 Sq.ft. and bounded on the: East by : Venkateshiah's property, West by : Sugatangaiah's property, North by : 30 feet Wide Road, South by : others property, Registered as Doc.No.10415/2021-13 at SRO Rajaji Nagar (Nagarbhavi) Bangalore.

Reserve Price : Rs.40,00,000/-
(Rupees Forty Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
24-08-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Vijaynagar Branch,** 23/1, 17th Cross, M.C. Lay-out, Near Maruthi Mandir, Vijaynagar, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Rural - 560040. Telephone No.080-23504001, Cell No.7483060906.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Vijaynagar Branch, 23/1, 17th Cross, M.C. Lay-out, Near Maruthi Mandir, Vijaynagar, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Rural - 560040. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-23504001, Cell No.7483060906. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 30-07-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.2,17,37,225/- (Rupees Two Crore Seventeen Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Five only)** as on **27-07-2022** together with further interest to be charged from **28-07-2022** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Venkateshwara Table Bricks, Sy.No.11, Near Raghavendra Dhama, Belekere Silvepura Post, Hesarghatta Hobli, Bangalore - 560090. No.2) Mr. P. Prasanna Kumar, S/o. Mr. V. Prabhakar, No.131, "Chandra Kala Nilaya", 11th Main, Behind Kaivara Temple, Kammagondanahalli, Bangalore - 560015. No.3) Mr. V. Prabhakar, S/o. Mr. Veeraswamy, No.131, "Chandra Kala Nilaya", 11th Main, Behind Kaivara Temple, Kammagondanahalli, Bangalore - 560015.**

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. P. Prasanna Kumar, S/o. Mr. V. Prabhakar)

Assessment No.12/2, 12/3, 65/1 and 65/2, Site Bearing No.131. All that piece and parcel of House Property Bearing No.131, Katha No.12/2, 12/3, 65/1 and 65/2, Bangalore North Taluk now coming under the limits of BBMP Bangalore, measuring:- East to West: 40 feet North to South (35+41)/2 in all measuring 1,520 Sq.ft., together with building and bounded on:- East by - 20 feet Road, West by - Site No.118, North by - Site No.130, South by - 20 feet Road. Situated at No.125 formed in Assessment Kammagondanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk now coming under the limits of BBMP Bangalore.

Reserve Price : Rs.85,00,000/-
(Rupees Eighty Five Lakh only)

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mr. P. Prasanna Kumar, S/o. Mr. V. Prabhakar)

Survey Nos.7, 8 & 9, Site Bearing No.7. All that piece and parcel of Vacant Site Bearing No.7, formed in Survey Nos.7, 8 & 9 situated at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk now coming under the limits of BBMP Ward No.12, Bangalore, measuring:- East to West 53 feet, North to South Eastern side 40 feet, Western side 59 feet in all measuring 3,206.5 Sq.ft. and bounded off:- East by - Site No.8, West by - Site No.6, North by - Road, South by - Others Property.

Reserve Price : Rs.1,00,00,000/-
(Rupees One Crore only)

Schedule - C : (Property Owned by Mr. P. Prasanna Kumar, S/o. Mr. V. Prabhakar)

Survey Nos.7, 8 & 9 of All that piece and parcel Southern Portion on the Western Side of House Property in Converted Survey Nos.7, 8 & 9 situated at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk now coming under the limits of BBMP Ward No.12, Bangalore measuring:- East to West - Northern side 53 feet, Southern side 50 feet, North to South 25 feet in all measuring 1,287.5 Sq.ft., bounded on:- East by - Passage & Property belonging to M. Shobha, West by - Others Property, North by - 6-0 feet wide passage South by - 5-0 feet wide passage.

Reserve Price : Rs.50,00,000/-
(Rupees Fifty Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
24-08-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Vijay Nagar Branch,** 23/1, 17th Cross, M.C. Layout, Near Maruthi Mandir, Vijay Nagar, Bengaluru Rural - 560040. Telephone No.080-23504001, Cell No.7483060906.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Vijay Nagar Branch, 23/1, 17th Cross, M C Layout, Near Maruthi Mandir, Vijay Nagar, Bengaluru Rural - 560040. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-23504001, Cell No.7483060906. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever- there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **02.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 30-07-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

African swine flu was confirmed at one more pig farm at Nenmeni panchayat in Wayanad of Kerala. "The department will cull around 200 pigs at the farm in Nenmeni. In addition, 100 pigs at another farm situated within a 1km radius of the affected farm will also be killed," District Animal Husbandry officer Dr V R Rajesh said

NIA CONDUCTS RAIDS IN K'TAKA OVER ISIS LINKS

Picks up student in Tumakuru, detains 1 each in Belagavi, Bhatkal

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru/Tumakuru/Karwar/Belagavi

THE National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Sunday conducted searches at 13 premises of suspects of Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) – the banned global terrorist organisation — in six states, including Karnataka.

In Tumakuru, a 20-member team of the NIA picked up a student of the HMS Unani Medical College on Sunday morning, for his alleged links with ISIS. Hailing from Mumbai, the third year Unani student was living in a rented house in the Sadashiva Nagar of the city. He was sharing the house, belonging to one Rangaswamy, with three other students for the last six months. The NIA team is said to have seized his laptop and a passport besides collecting certain documents after conducting a search at the college situated off the ring road. The college previously belonged to former Congress MLA Dr Rafeek Ahmed, who clarified that he had sold the college about 15 years ago.

A team of NIA officials picked up two college students at Huppari in Maharashtra close to Koganoli checkpost in Belagavi. The identity of the suspects has not been revealed. The team, which also took four persons into custody at Shirguppi village, released three of them while the fourth person is said to be in NIA custody.

Meanwhile, in an operation carried out in Bhatkal, Uttara Kannada district, an NIA team raided a house and detained a resident for his alleged nexus with the terrorist organisation. The NIA team, which questioned his brother, is also reportedly probing the involvement of his in-laws at Chinnadapalli in Bhatkal.

The NIA had registered a suo-moto case on June 25 under Sections 153A and 153B of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) for promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence, language, etc and whoever, by words, either spoken or written and punishment against imputations and assertions prejudicial to national integrity and Sections 18, 18 B, 38, 39 & 40 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA). "The searches have led to the seizure of incriminating documents/material," the NIA stated.

Father-son duo being interrogated

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SOURCES said three suspects have been detained. They are being questioned over alleged connection with an ISIS terror module. They confirmed that Sunday's raids were a follow-up to a terror module busted last year. Incriminating documents and three bags have been seized from the house of Maulana Jaleel, one of the persons detained.

Similarly, one suspect who hails from Ahmedabad was nabbed after raids in Navsari. In Amod of Bharuch district, a father-son duo was being interrogated over links to a terror group.

NIA conducted searches in Kerala over a case pertaining to the arrest of Sathik Batcha alias 'ICAMA Sathik', who had attempted to kill police during a vehicle check in February

FEAST LIKE A JUMBO

'Aanayoottu' (elephant-feeding ceremony) was held at Sri Gowreeswara Temple in Cherai, Kerala, on Sunday. Hundreds of devotees took part in the function | A SANESH

Victim tested +ve for monkeypox abroad

ENS @ T'Puram/Thrissur/Pathanamthitta

A youth who died in Thrissur on Saturday after showing symptoms of monkeypox had tested positive in the UAE about 10 days back but had not disclosed it to the doctors who attended to him in Kerala, Health Minister Veena George said on Sunday. She has directed the health officials to constitute a high-level team to probe the death.

The 22-year-old's sample has been sent to the National Institute of Virology in Alappuzha. The results are expected on Monday. He was not among the three who tested positive for Monkeypox in the state. If positive, he could be the first victim of monkeypox in the country and the fourth outside Africa.

Veena said the victim was a native of Punniyoor in Thrissur. He returned from Ras Al Khaimah on July 21. He had conducted tests for Monkeypox on July 19 and 20 and both the results turned out to be positive. His relatives handed over the results to the doctors in Thrissur only on Saturday.

Local residents said the victim had no symptoms and he even played football along with friends. However, he was admitted with high fever and febrile seizure on July 27, and died at a private hospital. The health minister said the probe will also cover the reasons for the delay in getting treatment.

ELSEWHERE IN SOUTH

TN tourist dead in Kerala flash floods

KOLLAM: A tourist from Tamil Nadu was killed and another sustained injuries in a flash flood following heavy rain at Kumbhavurutty waterfalls, a major tourist hotspot on the Achankovil-Sengottai road in Kollam. The waterfalls are part of the Manalar-Kumbhavurutty eco-tourism project. Kumaran, 50, of Madurai was caught in the gushing water when the flash flood occurred and suffered injuries on the head. He was taken to the Tenkasi taluk hospital where he was declared brought dead. Kishore, 45, another tourist from Erode in Tamil Nadu who was also caught in the flash flood, also suffered injuries on his head. He was taken to Punalur taluk hospital and discharged later. ENS

Lankan Navy rescues stranded TN fishermen

RAMESWARAM : In a noble gesture, the Sri Lankan Navy has rescued six Rameshwaram fishermen, whose boat drifted into Lankan territorial waters due to an engine snag. The Navy personnel reached the spot and tried to repair the engine in vain. They later alerted the boat owner on land and asked him to take steps to tow back the boat. The Navy boat also towed the stranded fishing boat till the international borders and handed it over to fishermen sent by the boat owner. ENS

Engg college student detained in TN

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Tirupattur

AFTER several hours of quizzing by the Intelligence Bureau (IB), an engineering student from Ambur has been arrested for alleged links to banned terrorist organisation ISIS. Police said he conspired with ISIS to carry out terror attacks. The third-year student - Meer Anaas Ali (22) - came under the IB's radar after allegedly liking and sharing social media posts of ISIS. He lived at Neelikollai in Ambur Town, Tirupattur, and studied at a private college in Melvisharam, Ranipet.

Around 4 am on Saturday, IB officials, with help from local police, picked him up from his house and confiscated his mobile phones and laptop. They took him about 35 km away, to the Anaicut police station in Vellore, and interrogated him for several hours.

During the interrogation, it was found that Anaas had links to ISIS, and was in touch with the organisation on social media platforms such as Instagram and Telegram, police said.

Based on the investigation, the Ambur Town police registered an FIR - under Sections 121 (waging war, or attempting to wage war, or abetting the waging of war against the Government of India), 122 (collecting arms, etc. with intention of waging war against the Government of India), and 125 (waging war or abetting the waging of war against any Asiatic power in alliance or at peace with the Government of India) of the IPC, and various sections of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 - and arrested Anaas. Around midnight on Saturday, he was escorted to the Vellore Central Prison and remanded in judicial custody.

ALL'S WELL

Hindus, Muslims pull chariot, end age-old row

P THIRUSELVAM @ Perambalur

ABOUT 18 months of effort from the Perambalur district administration and police seems to have brought a century-old conflict between the Hindu and Muslim villagers at V Kalathur to an end. On Saturday night, members of both communities pulled the temple chariot to kick off the same annual festival that historically was the flashpoint between the Hindus and Muslims here.

"The festival spans three days and involves processions with the deity through village streets, including streets on which Muslims live. Muslims have objected to this for over a century," says M Ramasamy, Chelliamman temple in-charge. Collector P Sri Venkada Priya and SP S Mani started work on finding a permanent solution in the village, which has an equal number of Hindus and Muslims. Members of the Muslim community had filed court cases against the festival in 2012, 2015, 2019 and 2021.

Members of both the communities pulled the temple chariot on Saturday

"Since the Muslims opposed the festival, we approached them and started resolving their long-pending problems. This helped them trust us and respect our efforts to ensure the festival is held amicably," the SP explains.

Three months ago, the Muslim community invited the Hindus to their Santhana Koodu festival. On Saturday, the Hindus visited the village mosque and invited the Muslims to their temple festival.

Two temple committees help mosque panel raise funds for cancer patient

KOZHIKODE (KERALA): Two temple committees at Kottakkal in Malappuram district have extended support to a mosque committee in their attempt to raise funds for the treatment of an 18-year-old girl. While Kuttipurathukav Bhagavathy temple committee contributed more than `50,000, Narasimha Moorthi temple committee gave `27,000 to the Alukkal Juma Masjid to support Hanna, who is battling cancer. The mosque committee has so far raised more than `1.5 crore for the Kottakkal resident. ENS

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No: UK/DUDC/AmrutNagarothana Phase-4/CR-07/2022-23 Dated: 29.07.2022

Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, District Urban Development Cell, Uttar Kannada District, Karwar invites e-tenders from PWD Registered contractors for Amrut Nagarothan-4 Project work as per KTPP Act 1999 Rule 2000 as detailed below.
Uploading Tender Documents: **29.07.2022 at 16:30 hrs**, Pre bid Meeting date: **17.08.2022 at 11.00 hrs.** Last date for submission of tender: **30.08.2022 at 16.30 hrs**. Opening of Technical Bid: **01.09.2022 at 17.00 hrs.** & Opening of Financial Bid: **12.09.2022 at 11.00 hrs.**
Description of Work: (1) Improvements to Roads and Drains under Amrut Nagarothana Phase-4 in **TMC Ankola limit, Indent No. DMA/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT 133005**, Amount put to tender: **Rs. 490.62 Lakhs,** EMD Amount **Rs.7.36 Lakhs**, Work Completion period: **12 Months** (Including Monsoon Season)
All other required tender information may be availed from the website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or Project Director, DUDC, UK Office.

DIPR/ADK/MCA/267/22-23 dt.30.07.2022
Sd/-, Executive Engineer, District Urban Development Cell, DC Office, U.K. District, Karwar

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಧಿಕರಣ,
1ನೇ ಗೇಟ್, 2ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಬಹುಮಹಡಿಗಳ ಕಟ್ಟಡ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–01
ಸಂ: ಕೆಎಟಿ/ಲೆಕ್ಕ–1/ಸಿಆರ್–11/2019–20 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.07.2022

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಧಿಕರಣ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಅಧಿಕೃತ ಕೆಲಸಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಹವಾನಿಯಂತ್ರಿತ ವಾಹನಗಳನ್ನು ಬಾಹ್ಯ ಮೂಲದಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

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NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited from the eligible candidates in the prescribed form for the following Fellowship Programme for the session September 2022-23 at Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore.

RGUHS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Sl. No.	Courses	Eligibility	Duration	No. of seats
1.	Pediatric Anesthesia	MD (Anesthesiology), DNB or its equivalent / DA with three years experience	12 Months	04
2.	Pediatric Intensive Care	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with three years experience	**18 Months**	04
3	Pediatric Neurology	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with three years experience	**18 Months**	04
4	Neonatal Intensive care	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with three years experience	**18 Months**	04
5	Pediatric Dermatology	MD Dermatology or its equivalent / DVD with three years experience	12 Months	04
6	Pediatric Pulmonology	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with three years experience	12 Months	03
7	Pediatric Genetics	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with three years experience	12 Months	03
8	Pediatric Orthopedics	MS (Ortho) / DNB or its equivalent / post Diploma with three years experience	12 Months	04
9	Pediatric Radiology	MD Radiology or its equivalent / DMRD with three years experience	12 Months	03
10	Pediatric Adolescent & Endocrinology	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with two years experience	**18 Months**	04
11	Pediatric Otorhinolaryngology	MS(ENT)/ DNB or its equivalent / Post Diploma with three years experience	12 Months	03
12	Pediatric Minimally Invasive Surgery	MCh (Pediatric Surgery) or its equivalent	12 Months	01
13	Pediatric Urology	MCh (Pediatric Surgery) or its equivalent	12 Months	01
14	Pediatric Nephrology	MD (Pediatrics), DNB or its equivalent / DCH with three years experience	12 Months	01

a. Preference will be given to candidates having three years experience after post graduation in the concerned specialty.
b. The Application form, excel format and prospectus can be downloaded from the office website : **www.igich.karnataka.gov.in**
c. Applicants should pay Rs. 2,000/- per application by NEFT/RTGS (Vijaya Bank) now Bank of Baroda
d. Saving Account No: **07640100024949** IFSC Code: **BARB0JAYANA** (Fifth number is zero) Branch: Jayanagara 3rd Block, Bangalore.
e. The filled application, excel format along with UTR/transaction no. for payment of application fees should be sent by email to **igichfellowship20@gmail.com** before **11.08.2022.**
f. Interview will be conducted through Offline(local candidates) and Online (out side candidates) and link will be provided later.

Sd/- Director IGICH Bangalore
DIPR/CP/BCPL/1587/2022-23

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No. KMIO/AC/Fellowship/935/2022 Date: 25-07-2022

ADMISSION NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited from eligible candidates in prescribed format for the following **Fellowship Programmes for academic year 2022-23** at Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore, affiliated to Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore, Karnataka.

Sl. No.	Course	Eligibility	Duration	No. of Seats
1.	Palliative Care	All Super speciality/ Broad Speciality of clinical subjects / MBBS with Internship Completed by 31st August 2022	12 Months	4
2.	Onco - Imaging	MD/DNB-Radiology/ DMRD with 2 years of Experience	12 Months	4
3.	Oral Onco - Surgery	MS/DNB(General Surgery) /MDS(Oral & Maxilo Facial Surgery), MS/DNB(ENT)	18 Months	4

Written test and interview dates are as follows.

Sl. No.	Name of the Course- Fellowship	Date of written test & Interview
(1)	Palliative Care, Oral Onco Surgery & Onco Imaging	13.08.2022.

Preference will be given to sponsored candidates from the institutes affiliated to RGUHS.

Instruction:
1. Application form can be downloaded from official **website: kmio.karnataka.gov.in from 01/08/2022**
2. Applicant should pay Rs. 4000/- (non-refundable) per application per course programme by NEFT/RTGS to CANARA BANK, saving account No. **8409101104566**, Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology Branch, Bengaluru. IFSC code: CNRB0008409.
3. The Scanned (PDF Format) filled in application and relevant attested photocopy along with UTR/Transaction No. for payment of application fee should be sent by **email to kmio.fellowship2022@gmail.com** with subject mentioned as **"Application for Fellowship Programme 2022"** before 5.00 pm 10/08/2022.
4. Stipend will be paid for non sponsored candidates Rs. 60,000/- per month .
5. Course fee 1,00,000/- per year - Non refundable. Full course fee to be paid completely at the time of admission. In case of discontinuation of the course, candidate has to repay the stipend received
6. Written test will be conducted , at institute auditorium, at **9.00 am on 13/08/2022.**
7. Based on the marks secured in written test, candidates will be called for interview on same day at Director's chamber.
8. Candidates should bring relevant original documents for verifications before appearing for written test.
9. Selected candidate has to finish admission process by **20/08/2022 before 5.00 pm** and academic year starts from 01/09/2022.
10. Decision of the selection committee in the matter of selection is final.
11. Candidates are instructed not to over crowd the venue at the entry & exit area.
12. Due to COVID 19 pandemic, prevailing guide lines led by Govt. of Karnataka and Local administration should be followed strictly.

For further details contact:
Academic Cell: Ph. 080-66697999 Extn: 7301, Email: kmio.fellowship2022@gmail.com

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Sd/- Director

EDITORIAL

Vulnerability sounds like truth and feels like courage. Truth and courage aren't always comfortable, but they're never weakness

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— Ramnath Goenka

NOT EASY FOR TEFLON MAMATA TO DUST OFF CORRUPTION DIRT

For the much-maligned Enforcement Directorate, the recent seizure of heaps of cash from two houses of sacked Trinamool Congress minister Partha Chatterjee's sidekick came as its second vindication. The first was from a Supreme Court bench that could find nothing wrong in the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002, which gives the ED more powers than the police. Arguments that the law gave the ruling party at the Centre the power to indulge in political vendetta did not find merit before the bench. Anyway, Trinamool boss and Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is no stranger to controversy. She cultivated her USP as the most strident critic of the Centre after she attacked enforcement eagles that preyed on her party while probing the Narada, Rose Valley and Saradha scams but went easy on some who switched to the BJP. She also successfully fought off another serious charge of Trinamool functionaries demanding bribes from people at the grassroots level for access to even basic welfare schemes by introducing intra-party correctives. However, the current controversy is different.

Mamata is on the defensive because images of Chatterjee's stash displayed in drawing rooms on loop on national television make the Trinamool look very dirty. For he was the third most powerful leader in the party. Though the Trinamool sought to distance itself by stripping Chatterjee of all posts, it is difficult to believe that he sold hundreds of teaching and other government posts under Didi's nose without her getting a whiff. That the scam unravelled in a state hostile to the ED shows sustained agitation by the affected parties can force the judicial hand and put any popular government on the back foot. It is a different matter that in another state, a powerful minister caught in a similar cash-for-jobs scam coolly walked out of it by making out-of-court deals with litigants last year with the judicial endorsement!

The charges of corruption come at a time when the Bengal BJP is trying to resurrect itself. For Mamata, though, her Teflon image remains intact because she is seen as frugal and personally clean. But she can't let the grass grow under her feet if she has to realise her bigger ambition of being the opposition's prime ministerial candidate.

THE 'RECESSION' DILEMMA OF RBI

The minutes of the meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee, the panel of the RBI that decides short-term interest rates in India, mention the word recession only three times. Two months ago, the spectre of the recession was not as real as it is now after the US GDP contracted for two consecutive quarters. When the MPC sits again on August 3–5 to deliberate on interest rates, it would have to deal with two elephants in the room—inflation and global recession.

About a couple of months ago, the general sense was that India's economy was doing relatively good and could absorb the shock of the policy rate hike. Things have changed now. The RBI can no longer think of going all out against inflation, ignoring the possible shock to growth. And while analysts have more or less factored in a minimum 35 basis points hike in policy rates, the MPC might have a tough task ahead. While the Indian economy faces no or minimal risk of recession, its growth potential is not immune to global recessions. Though most agencies still believe India might grow at over 7% in 2022–23, the rate of downgrades should be a cause of concern. The IMF recently cut India's GDP forecast by 80 basis points to 7.4% in 2022–23. OECD has cut the India GDP estimates to 6.9% for the current financial year. RBI has so far maintained India would grow at 7.2%. It would be interesting to see if it revises in the next meeting. The likely impact of GST rate hikes on inflation is what muddies the water further for the MPC. The Central bank was banking on the government's many measures—export duty on petroleum products (some of which have already been reversed) and metals, duty cut on petroleum products, and export restrictions on wheat—to ease the inflation pressures. But the recent GST rate hikes may fuel inflation in future.

So, RBI has to fight the battle on multiple fronts—inflation and recession. But given its clear mandate to keep inflation in check, could it lose sight of recession talks for some time and go the whole hog on inflation? We will know in a few days.

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CONTROVERSY AROUND GST RATE HIKE

T M THOMAS ISAAC

Former Finance Minister of Kerala

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GST seems to be moving from one controversy to another. A rate revision, undoubtedly, is inevitable given the fact that the existing rate structure is not revenue neutral. But the regressive nature of the modifications made and the choice of timing has rendered the decision controversial.

Originally, the GST Council decided to exempt food grains and a number of necessities from tax. They would be taxed only if they were being sold under registered brands. Thus, retail traders or small companies who were selling grains or their flour, either loose, packaged or labelled, were exempted from tax. Their customers were mostly ordinary people who could not afford the higher prices of branded products.

The recent changes announced by the Union Finance Minister have turned the situation upside down. She has removed the distinction between branded and unbranded.

From July 18, 2022, all items would attract GST when "prepackaged and labelled". There is no reference to branding in the new system. A high-value brand and lower-priced "prepackaged and labelled" commodity would equally attract tax.

The Legal Metrology Act defines 'pre-packaged commodity' as a commodity that, without the purchaser being present, is placed in a package, whether sealed or not, so that the product contained therein has a predetermined quantity. This is the format in which these commodities are being sold in the market. They all would attract a 5% tax.

What is the rationale for this move? We quote from the Finance Minister's tweets: "When GST was rolled out, a GST rate of 5% was made applicable on BRANDED cereals, pulses, and flour. Later this was amended to tax only such items which were sold under REGISTERED brand or brand on which enforceable right was not foregone by a supplier. However, soon rampant misuse of this provision was observed by reputed manufacturers & brand owners, and gradually GST revenue from these items fell significantly."

The big companies simply printed an explanatory note on the container that they were foregoing the "enforceable right" and avoiding tax. Therefore, the ideal response should have been to modify the amendment. Instead of taking the simple route, someone came up with a bright idea of giving up the classification of branded and non-branded itself. This was a clever ploy to help the corporates.

The full scale of the concession given to corporate branded producers is highlighted when it is read along with another clause in the order. The packages of more than 25 kg are specifically exempt from making declarations under the Packaged Commodities (PC) rules, and hence it is reasonable to assume that they would not attract GST. Thus, the branded supplier will only have to raise the weight of the package to 26 kg to escape the tax net. This tax evasion is taking place on a large scale already.

The new amendments clearly favour corporate interests that can avoid the tax burden to a great extent. FM has virtually pleaded guilty in this regard. "This was RESENTED by suppliers and industry associations who were paying taxes on branded goods. They wrote to the Govt to impose GST uniformly on all packaged commodities to stop such misuse."

When originally the GST rates were fixed, care was taken to ensure that the new GST rates were lower than the existing total combined central and state taxes. The greatest beneficiaries of this exercise were the consumer durables, whose existing tax burden ranged between 30% to 45%. They were reduced to a uniform 28% which was determined as the highest tax rate under GST. The exercise also ensured that the rate structure would be overall revenue neutral.

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Unfortunately, with the Lok Sabha elections on the horizon, the central government took the initiative to reduce the tax rate on commodities, particularly the 28%. The ad hoc decisions to reduce the rates rendered the new rates no more revenue neutral.

This was the primary reason for the non-buoyancy of the GST revenue. Everyone realises the mistake and is convinced that an upward rate revision is unavoidable. The obvious step would have been to restore the 28% tax rate.

But unfortunately, the decision has been to increase the tax on necessities rather than consumer durables. The tax on grains, their products and curd have been brought into the tax net at 5%. Commodities like the solar water heater, leather, and services like hotel rooms below ₹1000 and hospital rooms above ₹500 and contracts have been raised from 5% to 12%.

Many commodities like LED lamps, ink, blades, pumps, cycles, and various types of machines have been raised from 12% to 18%. The tax on contracts which was at 12%, has been increased to 18%.

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Many states did oppose the proposal to increase the tax rate on necessities. Kerala Finance Minister had communicated his disagreement in taxing necessities through a written letter to the GoM.

But no voting was conducted. This has been the practice of the Council except for the Lottery tax rate revision when Kerala forced a division. Therefore, it is unfair to claim that all states had agreed to the decision.

Finally, this is the worst time to increase the tax rate on foodstuffs. The retail inflation is above 7%. The whole price index has increased by 15%. The foodstuffs with 24% weightage in the index increased by 16.9% in the month of June. Now, this 5% tax is certainly going to worsen the situation. Thus, the rate hikes are regressive, inflationary and will lead to tax leakages.

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INDIAN AUGUST IS FULL OF FUN

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FAITHLINE

August is usually an exciting month in India, charged with festivity. The biggest festival, of course, is Independence Day, and this year it's a long weekend. The Walled City of Delhi celebrates it in unique ways. One year, a maulana friend from there invited me to see it for myself. We took a cycle rickshaw and progressed slowly down the brightly lit lanes.

The atmosphere was festive and joyous. Sikhs, Muslims and Hindus mingled freely in the crowds. I saw burkha-clad ladies buying sets of tri-coloured bangles and tri-coloured dupattas. There was music at the historic Gauri-Shankar temple and *shabad kirtan* pouring out of Gurdwara Shish Ganj, the place of Guru Tegh Bahadur's martyrdom. We joined the happy throng feasting on sweets and samosas. It was an exhilarating experience to be amid one's fellow citizens, all celebrating Independence Day. That evening, it felt rather flat going back home to the bland peace of my own neighbourhood, which I otherwise appreciate.

Another big festival people look forward to in August is Raksha Bandhan or Rakhi. From what I have gathered, Raksha Bandhan occurs when the asterism *Dhanishta* rises in the lunar month of *Shravan*. *Dhanishta* is the twenty-third of the twenty-seven *nakshatra* or lunar asterisms in Indian astronomy and astrology. *Shravan* is 'Avani' in Tamil, and *Dhanishta* is 'Avittam', so the day of Raksha Bandhan is known as 'Avani Avittam' in Tamil Nadu.

The markets and the internet are afloat with rakhis of many colours. *'Mithai aur rakhi'* or 'sweets and rakhis' are the buzz, packaging the two together to send to faraway brothers. The market sees new and highly emotional ads about Rakhi, and being sentimental Indians, it's hard to be unmoved by them. The streets look very colourful when men and boys go by with proudly festooned wrists. Raksha Bandhan may be originally a North Indian festival, but it is so charming that I feel it can go beyond regions and beyond only siblings to friends, elders and anyone who is a supportive presence in one's life, of any creed.

Another delightful festival in August is Janmashtami. The happiness around it is like sweet liquor in one's veins. As a child, I had to sing the song *'Mangaiyargal Yamunaithanil'*, about the *gopis* frolicking in the river and their subsequent moment of truth. But have you been to a big temple and felt the good energy during Janmashtami? One year, I went to such a temple in Delhi, and it was like walking into a party. A 'bhajan band' of young men was playing great beats on traditional and modern drums. The public started dancing as soon as it walked in, to periodic calls of *"Hari bol!"*. People sang and danced so unselfconsciously to celebrate the advent of the Lord that their genuine joy was beautiful to watch.

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I have seen this in South India during *Namasamkirtanam* or devotional concerts when people just get up and dance in an upsurge of joy in God. I have heard that in Pandharpur in Maharashtra, on the banks of the river Chandrabhaga, at the temple of Vithoba (Krishna), devotees believe that the Lord dances in their midst. A Marathi *abhang* by Saint Namdev avers, *'Namdev kirtan kari, premabhare naatse Panduranga'* ('When Namdev sings, Krishna dances with love').

We cannot speak of Janmashtami without a glimpse of Sri Krishna's birthplace, Mathura. My most-visited place is the Banke Bihari temple. Pre-pandemic, the best time to go was on a weekday because the narrow lanes leading to it were tightly packed with devotees during the weekends. They came from Delhi, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and even Gujarat. Prepare to be squashed flat if you go on Janmashtami. I have been there during Holi, and the elation was at another level if you drifted along as a free-floating particle. During *Shravan*, the Banke Bihari temple is done up as an arbour of white flowers, a 'monsoon mahal'. Devotees walk in through a wave of sweet jasmine and tuberose scent. It is quite a contrast to some of the austere Shiva temples I have been to. But as they say, *'abhisheka priyo Shiva, alankara priyo Vishnu'* ('Shiva loves ablution and Vishnu loves decoration').

The month ends with Ganesh Chaturthi, which I don't associate with turmoil on the streets, but with sweet childhood rituals like making a decorated cardboard umbrella for the terracotta image that we brought home and, of course, *modaks*. We are taught to see Sri Ganesha as a noble and good-natured presence in our lives. He is the special god of children, and he himself is dearly loved by his parents: *'Shiva prema pindam bhaje vakratundam'*, meaning 'Hail the lord with the broken tusk, who is Shiva's darling'.

In sum, this month is full of positive calendar highs with much to enjoy and celebrate.

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Courts and undertrials

Apropos of *Judiciary needs to speed up release of undertrials: PM* (July 31). It is imperative to review the existing hierarchical structure of our Courts for efficient and timely justice to the affected parties. The current structure paves way for even a simple civil case to move from the lower court to the Supreme Court with no definite timeline fixed for the verdict. This way, the number of cases gets piled up in each level, delaying the justice period considerably. Sometimes, the affected parties are not alive to hear the judgement. It is better to change the existing hierarchical structure to a multi-layered structure with a clear definition of qualifying criteria for each case to go to the respective layer.

K Venkatasubramanian, Coimbatore

Ajit and acrimony

National Security Advisor Ajit Doval's observation is true that there is religious acrimony in the country. But one has to go to the root of the problem and find out how it all started. Until 2014, religious acrimony was not a serious issue. Politicians need to realise that using tools like religion will get them to power temporarily but will later come back to bite them. It is time our country is built on values rather than tricks. Everyone must work towards religious harmony instead of simply blaming each other.

Christy, email

Tackling student suicides

Apropos of *Students, success and suicide: When all's not well* (July 31). The writer's views on the recent suicides of students in Tamil Nadu has become an eye-opener once again. Peer and parental pressure leads to tough competition to squeeze into the limited seats in prestigious institutions. The students are forced to study subjects which they never liked. All this puts tremendous pressure on the students and prevents them from socialising to rejuvenate their minds. This feeling of being aloof starts to create a vicious vacuum that only sucks them further into the throes of depression.

Jayaraman C P, Chalakudi

'Humilated' doctor resigns

This is with reference to the news *'Humiliated' by Punjab health minister, VC resigns* (July 31). Dr. Raj Bahadur of Baba Farid University should have not laid on the dirty hospital bed since it was just a pressure tactic by the Punjab Health Minister Chetan Singh Jouramajra. Instead, he should have blatantly refused and resigned on spot. Jouramajra must immediately apologise for the incident.

N A Joseph, Ettumanoor

India-Israel water pact

Apropos of *India seeks Israel help in containing water crisis* (July 31). A significant population in the country is deprived of safe drinking water. The outbreak of waterborne diseases in the southern districts of Odisha is a major example of that. Israel's great invention of the drip irrigation system in the 1960s is an exemplary contribution. India is in sheer need of Israel's help in water management.

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Ever since Electoral Bonds were surreptitiously smuggled in as a Money Bill to avoid Rajya Sabha scrutiny, it has allowed money power to distort democracy.

Tejashwi Yadav @yadavtejashwi
The present and future of the country's youngest state Bihar is getting ruined due to the negative and loose politics of BJP and NDA.

Derek O'Brien @derekobrienmp
Opposition parties want Parliament to run and hold this government accountable. Prediction: Government will disrupt from next week.

6K dead, ₹60K-cr washed away in rains: Govt

Figures reflect data reported by only 70% of states as major ones like Maharashtra, TN don't share their stats

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

WITH climate change increasing the risk of extreme weather events like flooding, nearly 6,000 people lost their lives, and incurred damages worth ₹59,000 crore, which is nearly equivalent to one-third of the country's infrastructure budget for the road and highways sector, due to floods in the last three years.

The figures reflect only the data reported by 70 per cent of the states as several major states like Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu along with nearly half-dozen states/UTs did not share the data related to damages caused due to floods. If the country-wide data is available, the cost of damage due to floods could be much higher.

The data on damages due to heavy rain and floods is compiled by the Central Water Commission (CWC) after receipt of confirmation from respective States. The data shows that 1839 lives were lost while Rs 21,849 crore damages were caused to crops, houses, and other public utilities in 2018 while 2754 died and Rs 15,863 crore damages were incurred. The floods in several states in 2020 left 1365 dead and damages worth Rs 21,190 crore were caused, the data was shared by the Ministry of Jal Shakti in Lok Sabha in response to a question.

An assessment of a sectoral and regional analysis for the 2030s report by the union environment ministry shows that a rise in temperatures would increase flood events in frequency during the end of the century (2071-2100).

"Temperatures in the Himalayan region are projected to rise up to 2.6 degrees Celsius and also increase in intensity by 2-12 percent by 2030s. This will result in increased flash flood events leading to large-scale landslides and loss of agricultural area affecting food security," stated the report.

Several states in the country saw massive floods this monsoon due to extreme rainfall events and it is becoming a regular phenomenon and expected to intensify in coming years, according to climate experts.

"We see a rise in ocean surface temperatures of up to 1.2-1.4 deg C in the Arabian Sea, which has resulted in a 50 percent increase in intense cyclones and a three-fold rise in extreme rainfall events causing floods across India. Climate projections indicate an increase of up to 3.8 deg C in the Indian

Ocean by the end of the century if we do not cut down carbon emissions. This would affect the most vulnerable population in South Asia," said Roxy Mathew Koll, a senior climate scientist at the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology.

DEATHS AND DESTRUCTION

In a data collected from on 70% states, around 6,000 Indians lost lives due to extreme rainfall and almost ₹60,000 crores worth damages were incurred

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POWER GAMES

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ROLE OF WORLD'S LEADING LIQUOR MAKER UNDER LENS

There is a buzz in Delhi that the investigative agencies may probe the role of one of the leading liquor manufacturers of the world in violating the statutory provisions of the excise policy notified by the state government for the year 2021-22. Sources said the consumption of liquor in Delhi was about 10 lakh cases per annum before the introduction of the new excise policy. Under the new regime, the sale jumped to about 15 lakh cases. This was because the said manufacturer offered huge discounts to select retailers who were able to offer liquor at fifty per cent discount. There is also talk of this manufacturer lending financial support to some zonal retailers. The nexus between manufacturers and retailers is one of the angles being probed by Delhi Police's Economic Offences Wing. The CBI too has been asked to probe this nexus. Agencies will also be probing the connections between retailers and wholesalers. The new excise policy 2021-22 expressly emphasizes that a manufacturer cannot be a retailer or a wholesaler, a wholesaler cannot engage in retailing or manufacturing of liquor, and similarly, only such parties that are not engaged in manufacturing or wholesaling can enter the retailing business. Investigators have been informed about cross-connections in some cases, sources said. It is in this context that the name of the leading liquor manufacturer is being mentioned.

HIGH LIFE

JET-SETTING KEJRIWAL IS FAR FROM AN AAM AADMI

Aam Aadmi Party chief Arvind Kejriwal made headlines when he refused to move into the chief ministerial bungalowand rejected a security offer by Delhi Police after defeating the Congress in Delhi assembly election in 2013. Kejriwal said he was against the VIP culture of living in bungalows and turned down the security offer saying God was his protector. The chief minister, however, soon moved into his official bungalow in north Delhi's Civil Lines. He also went back on his initial decision not to use an official car. But those were Kejriwal's initial days as a politician. Today, the Delhi chief minister loves to travel in private jets. He recently flew to Jalandhar in a Club One Dassault Falcon owned by a prominent businessman of the National Capital Region. The cost of hiring a Falcon is approximately Rs 4 lakh per hour. A bill of about Rs 15 lakh has been presented to the state government's finance department for clearing. Kejriwal had earlier flown from Punjab to Gujarat, along with Bhagwant Mann, in another private jet. An RTI query filed in Punjab revealed that the state paid about Rs 45 lakh for that flight.Leaders of the BJP and Congress also fly private jets. But they do not make austerity as much of an issue as Kejriwal did. Kejriwal has clearly moved far away from the aamaadmi.

CASH HAUL

SOREN'S SURVIVAL INSTINCT GOT CONG MLAs IN POLICE NET

It was Jharkhand chief minister Hemant Soren who had asked the police to follow the three Congress MLAs when they left together in one car for Bengal from Jamtara in Jharkhand, sources said. The three MLAs have been on CM's radar who suspected them of conspiring with the opposition BJP to pull down the JMM-Congress-RJD government in the state. When the Jamtara police reported to the state DGP about the movement of MLAs, the DGP immediately alerted the Chief Minister. The CM reportedly asked the DGP to get cops to tail them and find out what they were up to. When the CM was informed that the MLAs were suspected to have received a huge amount of cash from an unknown person after crossing into adjoining West Bengal, the CM asked the state police to inform the Bengal police about the payout. The Bengal police arrested the three Congress MLAs on a specific tipoff by their Jharkhand counterpart. The Superintendent of Police of Howrah rural where the MLAs were arrested confirmed that the arrest was made following a specific tipoff. The Congress central leadership, while suspending the three MLAs, said the money was a payout for cross-voting in the Presidential election.

Oppn eyes debate on Agnipath after price rise 'victory'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

WITH repeated adjournments in Parliament since the start of the monsoon session, the Centre is expected to push for legislative business this week while the Opposition is looking to demand a discussion on the Agnipath defence recruitment scheme after the discussion on price rise.

The government has agreed to discuss the price rise this week in both the Houses of Parliament. The Opposition has been demanding a discussion on the issue since the start of the monsoon session on July 18. Lok Sabha is expected to take up the discussion on Monday while the Rajya Sabha could take it up on Tuesday.

Lok Sabha functioned for about a quarter of its scheduled time and Rajya Sabha for about 20 percent in the first two weeks of 2022 due to repeated disruptions. With just two weeks left, the government wants to push the legislative business as over 30 bills have been listed for passing in the monsoon session. The session ends on Aug 12.

"We want discussion and let both the Houses discuss price rise and levying of GST on essential items," said Congress Rajya Sabha MP K C Venugopal.

The Opposition also wants discussion on the new defence recruitment scheme and some parties have already given notices for suspension of business to take up the issue. With barely 10 days left, the demand for discussion is unlikely to be accepted, said sources.

Constant demand

The Opposition has been demanding a discussion on the issue since the start of the monsoon session on July 18.

However, some MPs feel that things could remain confrontational between the Opposition and treasury benches this week. "Opposition parties want Parliament to run and hold this government accountable. Prediction: Government will disrupt from next week," tweeted TMC Rajya Sabha MP Derek O'Brien.

The BJP MPs have been demanding Congress chief Sonia Gandhi's apology over party MP Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury's comments on President Droupadi Murmu.

Transport agencies in 12 states don't run buses for specially-abled: Centre

State transport authorities with 100% accessible bus fleet

Authority	No. of Buses	Divyang friendly buses
Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC)	6,664	6,664
Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC)	3,762	3,762
Jaipur City TSL	293	293
Tamil Nadu Kumbakonam	3,471	3,471
Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport (NMMT)	397	397
Lucknow City Services Ltd	260	260
Meerut City Transport Services Ltd	120	120
Allahabad City Transport Services Ltd	127	127
Varanasi City Transport Services Ltd	130	130

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

AT least 12 state transport agencies don't have a single bus for specially-abled persons and nearly 65 per cent of public transport buses being operated by the state authorities don't cater to the needs of passengers with physical disabilities.

According to the Union Road Transport and Highways Ministry, 61 state transport undertakings (STUs), which are members of Association of State Road Transport Undertakings (ASRTU), are operating 1,45,747 buses and only 51,043 of them are equipped with boarding and deboarding facility for persons with disabilities (PwDs). State agencies, which don't have buses equipped with facilities for persons with disabilities (PwD), are Rajasthan State Road Transport Corporation, Odisha State Road Transport Corporation, Haryana State Transport, Arunachal Pradesh State Transport Department, Jammu and Kashmir State Road Transport Corporation, Meghalaya Transport Corporation, Mizoram State Transport, State Transport Punjab, Punjab State Bus Stand Management Company, Sikkim Nationalised Transport, Uttarakhand Transport Corporation and South Bengal State Transport Corporation.

While responding to questions in Rajya Sabha last week, Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari said the entire fleet of Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC), Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC), Jaipur City TSL, Tamil Nadu Kumbakonam, Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport (NMMT), Lucknow City Services Ltd, Meerut City Transport Services Ltd, Allahabad City Transport Services Ltd, Varanasi City Transport Services Ltd, Agra-Mathura Transport Services Ltd, Kanpur City Transport Services Ltd and Kerala Urban Road Transport Corporation have boarding and deboarding facilities for people in special need.

Congress MP Amee Yajnik sought to know whether most of the buses have any facility for boarding and deboarding of passengers with special needs, even after the amendment in the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.

Gadkari told the House that the ministry had taken several initiatives to achieve the targets fixed in Accessible India Campaign (AIC), including directions for alteration in motor vehicles to facilitate the mobility of PwDs. He said that states governments and Union territory administrations had been directed to make at least 25 per cent government-owned public transport vehicles fully accessible by March 2019.

BA.2 sub-variant of Covid found in over 5,000 children since January: Centre tells Parliament

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

OVER 5,000 children in the age group of 0-18 years were infected by the BA.2 sub-variant, the most dominant variant circulating globally and in India, since January this year, according to the samples analysed by Indian SARS-CoV-2 Genomics Consortium (INSACOG).

From January 1 to July 25, 5,439 children were detected with the BA.2 variant, which has been classified as a variant of concern by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and is described as a stealth variant that spreads faster than other Omicron sub-variants.

Samples of 1,278 children showed that they were detected with Omicron and other sub-lineages, according to the data shared with the Lok Sabha in a written reply.

The INSACOG, set up in 2020 under the Union Health Ministry to study and monitor genome sequencing and virus variation of circulating strains of Covid-19, also found Omicron sub-lineage B.1.1.529, classified as a variant of concern by the WHO, among 645 children. While 74 children were infected with Delta sub-lineages, around 44 children were infected with the Delta B.1.617.2 lineage, first identified in Maharashtra and then spread throughout India in 2020, as per the data.

According to the WHO, Covid-19 infections among children and adolescents typically cause less severe illness than in adults.

According to the health ministry, as of July 26, 9.96 crores first dose (82.2 percent coverage) and 7.79 crores second dose (64.3 percent coverage) have been administered in children between the age group of 12-18 years of age.

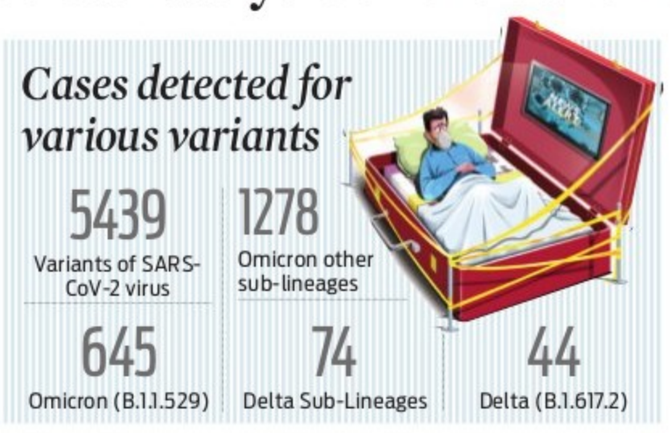
To a written reply in the Lok Sabha on vaccinating children below 12 years, Minister of State of Health and Family Welfare Bharati Pravin Pawar said that vaccination among this age group has not started under the National Covid-19 vaccination programme in the country.

Dr N K Arora, head of the Covid-19 Working Group of the National Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (NTAGI), in India, the BA.2 variant is still dominant.

"In India, BA.2 is still 85 per cent. BA.4 and BA.5 are not expanding in India the way it is happening worldwide," he added.

Scientists say the variant — called BA.2.75 — may be able to spread rapidly and get around immunity from vaccines and previous infection. It's unclear whether it could cause more serious disease than other omicron variants, including the globally prominent BA.5.

The latest mutant has been spotted in several distant states in India, and appears to be spreading faster than other variants there, said Lipi Thukral, a scientist at the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology in New Delhi. It's also been detected in about 10 other countries, including Australia, Germany, the United Kingdom and Canada. Two cases were recently identified on the West Coast of the US, and Helix identified a third US case last week.



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Arora is new Delhi Police Commissioner

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

SANJAY Arora, a 1998-batch Tamil Nadu cadre IPS officer, was appointed as the Delhi Police Commissioner on Sunday, according to a notification of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Arora, the current Director-general of the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), will take charge on Monday. Once part of the Tamil Nadu Police special task force which later hunted down forest brigand Veerappan, Arora will succeed Rakesh Asthana, a Gujarat-cadre IPS officer who retired on Sunday.

Arora, 57, is the second successive non-AGMUT cadre IPS officer to head the Delhi Police and the third since the Delhi Police Act was passed in 1978 and a commissionerate was established. Arora is due for retirement in 2025.

Arora was Coimbatore Police Commissioner between 2002 and 2004. He was appointed as ITBP DG in 2021. He also had stints in the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and the Border Security Force (BSF).

A contingent of Royal Army of Oman that will take part in a joint exercise in India

Army to hold joint drills with Oman and Vietnam

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

IN its bid to bolster military ties, the Indian Army soldiers are scheduled to hold exercises with the Army personnel of Oman and Vietnam, the two countries which are strategically significant for India, starting today.

According the Indian Army, the 4th edition of the exercise AL Najah with the Royal Army of Oman will be held at foreign training node of Mahajan Field Firing ranges (Rajasthan) from August 1 to 13 in which 60 personnel from Sultan of Oman Parachute Regiment will hold exercise with Indian troops from 18 Mechanised Infantry Battalion.

The Indian Army on Sunday said, "The scope of the exercise includes professional interaction, mutual understanding of drills & procedures, establishment of joint command & control structures and elimination of terrorist threats. The joint exercise would focus on Counter Terrorism Operations, Regional Security Operations and Peace Keeping Operations under United Nations charter apart from organising joint physical training schedules, tactical drills, techniques and procedures."

The other exercise is with Vietnam. The 3rd edition of Vietnam-India bilateral army exercise "Vinbax 2022" at Chandimandir will be held from Aug 1-20. Around 45 members of Vietnam People's Army will take part in the exercise.

INFRA BOOST FOR LADAKH

Union Territory of Ladakh may garner projects worth ₹1,172 crore under revamped distribution sector scheme (RDSS) to strengthen power infrastructure, with an aim to supply electricity to every home by 2024

6 HELD — DEATH THREATS TO MLAs IN HARYANA

Ahmedabad	33	27	Bhopal	34	28
Jaipur	37	21	Amritsar	34	18
Chennai	37	26	Kolkata	37	26
Srinagar	31	22	Mumbai	33	26
Panaji	32	26	Patna	34	25
Lucknow	36	25	Port Blair	31	27
Imphal	31	20	Chandigarh	32	26

'Cong MLAs offered ₹10 cr each for switching sides'

Bormo MLA Kumar Jaimangal accuses the three arrested legislators of luring others to help BJP form a government in Jharkhand

MUKESH RANJAN @RANCHI

Congress MLAs (L-R) Rajesh Kacchap, Naman Biksal and Irfan Ansari, who were arrested with cash by West Bengal police | PTI

THE three Congress MLAs — Irfan Ansari, Naman Bixal Kongari and Rajesh Kachhap — were arrested with cash by West Bengal police on Sunday on the basis of an FIR filed by Bormo MLA Kumar Jaimangal for trying to topple the Hemant Soren-led government in Jharkhand.

Jaimangal accused the three legislators for allegedly luring other MLAs by offering ₹10 crore each and a ministerial berth to help the BJP form a government in the state.

"Rajesh Kachchap and Naman Bixal Kongari were asking me to come to Kolkata and were offering money, promising ₹10 crore per MLA. Ifran Ansari and Rajesh Kachchap wanted to take me to Guwahati from Kolkata where according to them a meeting was fixed with Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma," Jaimangal stated in his FIR.

Jaimangal lodged the FIR under various sections of the Indian Penal Code, Representation of People's Act along with the Prevention of Corruption Act at the Argora police station in Ranchi on Sunday. Jharkhand Congress chief Rajesh Thakur accompanied Jaimangal for lodging the FIR.

Jaimangal said Irfan assured him that Sarma was doing it with the blessings of the top BJP leadership. Irfan also told him that he would get the money once he reaches Guwahati and make promises before Sarma, alleged Jaimangal.

"I don't want to be a part of this unconstitutional, unethical criminal activity, hence informing you to take action against them, who are stationed in Kolkata with token amount and putting pressure on me to come to Kolkata and accompany them to Guwahati," Jaimangal said in his FIR.

The Congress suspended the three MLAs – Irfan Ansari from Jamtara, Rajesh Kachhap from Khijri and Naman Bixal Kongari from Kolebira — from the party with immediate effect. The Jharkhand Congress is likely to lodge a formal complaint with Assembly Speaker, seeking their dismissal for alleged anti-party activities.

BJP, however, blamed the entire Congress leadership for making Jharkhand a "den of corruption".

Himanta said he continues to be in touch with Congress leaders because of his long association with the party, downplaying charges of his involvement in a ploy to topple the JMM-led Jharkhand government.

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Past not perfect of the MLAs

RANCHI: This is not the first time that Irfan Ansari has been accused of hatching a conspiracy to topple the Jharkhand government. His name surfaced over the issue in July last year as well, when the police arrested Abhishek Kumar Dubey, Amit Singh and Niwaran Prasad for allegedly conspiring to destabilise the JMM-led alliance government. The trio had claimed that Ansari, with two other MLAs, had gone to Delhi with them on July 15, 2021, where they met BJP leaders, and Ansari and 10 MLAs were promised `1 crore each along with ministerial berths for defecting. Since the advance sum was not given to them, they returned to Ranchi, they claimed. Recently, Ansari posted a video against his own government, showing illegal mining being done in Godda. Insiders say Ansari is angry for not getting a Cabinet berth. Meanwhile, Naman Bixal Kongari had claimed last year that he was offered huge sums for defecting, but he refused. The third MLA, Rajesh Kacchap, has never been in controversy but is said to be unhappy with some ministers.

Jharkhand Congress in-charge Avinash Pande speaks to the media about the suspension of three Jharkhand MLAs, in New Delhi on Sunday | PTI

Cong suspends 3 MLAs for anti-party activities

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AFTER three Congress MLAs from Jharkhand were caught with a cash in West Bengal, the Congress on Sunday suspended them while accusing the BJP of attempting to topple its coalition government in the state.

Jharkhand in-charge Avinash Pande said the three MLAs were allegedly involved in a plot to weaken the party and mislead other MLAs. He said the coalition government with JMM is stable. "The party leadership is aware of who all are part of the conspiracy and will take action at an appropriate time," he said.

Congress accused the BJP of attempting to topple the state government. "The democracy is being shredded to pieces as democratically elected governments are being destabilised in a brazen manner. Efforts being made from the last two years to destabilise the government in Jharkhand," he alleged, adding that an FIR was also registered in the connection some days ago against BJP leaders.

GUWAHATI DIARY

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Ghost of cross-voting chases Congress

The ghost of cross-voting during the recent Presidential election is still chasing the Congress in Assam. It has issued a virtual gag order on its leaders and workers by directing them to not make any statement to the media on the issue. Party's state chief Bhupen Kumar Bora said the Pradesh Congress has been empowered to consider the issue of cross-voting and take a final decision. He requested party workers to not make further statements on it. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma had claimed the NDA got 22 "extra votes" after the MLAs of the opposition parties had cross-voted. He said close to 15 votes had come from the Congress while remaining six-seven were cast by MLAs of other parties.

Daughters make CM, minister proud

Their fathers have made it big in their political career. Now, they are making their parents proud by excelling in life. Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma's daughter Sukanya secured 92.75 per cent marks in the class XII board examination. Trinabrita, daughter of Tourism Minister Jayanta Malla Baruah, scored 95.5 per cent. Baruah is a close aide of Sarma. "A moment to cherish! My daughter Sukanya scored 92.75 per cent in her ISC XII exam. You made us proud! Have my blessings in every step of your life," a euphoric Sarma had tweeted. Baruah too was overjoyed. He expressed his gratitude to the teachers and the staff of Trinabrita's school for their guidance and care.

Assam MLAs scout for rented houses

Some Assam MLAs are scouting for rented accommodations. The Assembly secretariat had written to the MLAs, asking them to vacate their official quarters by July 20 as these houses, built in the 1970s, will be demolished for the construction of multi-storey buildings for their accommodation. After some missed the deadline, the Assembly secretariat said water and electricity supply would be cut from the midnight of July 31. Subsequently, some vacated the houses but others continued to stay there. All India United Democratic Front MLA Sujam Uddin Laskar said these MLAs would meet Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma seeking time to vacate the quarters.

MAHARASHTRA

Now, Shiv Sena leader Khotkar joins Shinde

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

SHIV Sena leader and former Maharashtra minister Arjun Khotkar on Sunday joined Chief Minister Eknath Shinde's faction citing certain "circumstances and problems" behind his decision.

Khotkar had resigned from his post as a deputy leader of the Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena.

"Due to some circumstances and problems, I decided to leave Shiv Sena. I have no grudges or resentment towards Thackeray. Certain circumstances compelled me to leave the party," he said.

Khotkar is under the scanner of the Enforcement Directorate in connection with Jalna sugar factory and Maharashtra state cooperative bank scam. ED had also attached his assets worth ₹78.38 crore in connection with its probe into the Maharashtra State Co-operative Bank scam

He spoke to Thackeray and the latter told him that he could join the Shinde faction if that was going to solve his problems, he said.

Khotkar was a minister in the Devendra Fadnavis-led BJP-Sena government from 2016 to 2019.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP national president JP Nadda during the closing ceremony of BJP's national executive meeting in Patna on Sunday | PTI

Patna: All is well with JD-U, say BJP leaders

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

SCOTCHING buzz about cracks in BJP-JD-U ties, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday asserted that his party will fight the 2024 Lok Sabha and 2025 Bihar Assembly polls with its NDA allies.

Addressing the concluding day event of the two-day national executive meet of BJP's frontal bodies, Shah said, "BJP will form the government by bagging more seats in 2024 and Narendra Modi will become the PM again."

Talking to the media, party general secretary Arun Singh echoed the thought. "BJP respects coalition dharma. It will fight both elections with allies," he said, denying that there is any rift between BJP and JD-U. Singh added that the BJP has already started making preparations for 2024 parliamentary elections.

The BJP leaders' comments assume significance since the BJP and JD-U have not been on the same page on several issues, most recently on Fridays being declared as the weekly holiday in Urdu schools. The statements also come a day after JD-U president and MP Rajiv Ranjan Singh said, "Everything is fine in Bihar NDA so far," leaving scope for speculation over the future relationship.

On the possibility of CM Nitish Kumar aligning with RJD, MP Sushil Kumar Modi said, "Nitish Kumar committed a mistake by going with RJD. He will not do it again."

BJP president Nadda said, "People who have spent decades in one party are joining BJP. They have realised that this is how they can bring changes in the country."

I don't have any money, says Partha, cries conspiracy

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

STICKING to conspiracy theory behind his arrest in connection with the recruitment scam in schools, former member of Mamata Banerjee's cabinet and suspended Trinamool Congress heavyweight Partha Chatterjee on Sunday said time would say who hatched the plot.

When asked who hatched the conspiracy, Chatterjee, while being taken for medical check-up at ESI Hospital, Joka, said, "You will come to know with time." Asked whether the cash ₹49.8 recovered from his close aide Arpita Mukherjee's two apartments was his money, Chatterjee said, "I don't have any money."

Four days ago, Chatterjee, while being taken for medical examination, had said he was a victim of conspiracy.

During investigation, Enforcement Directorate (ED) officials found Rs 8 crore deposited in eight bank accounts. The central agency said the money is suspected to be the proceeds of the recruitment scam.

ED is going through the balance sheets of at least four companies that have links with Arpita and have decided to summon some of the directors to find out if these served as shell companies to park proceeds of crime. The four companies whose financial statements are under ED's scanner include Zamira Sunshines Limited, Echhay Entertainment Private Limited, Symbiosis Merchants Private Limited and Sentry Engineering Private Limited.

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> ED official

"Among the four companies, Zamira is the newest, incorporated on March 20, 2017. One of Arpita's flats in Belgharia, from where cash Rs 27.9 crore was recovered, is the registered address for the company, which has interests in real estate activities," said an ED official.

ED sources said among the four directors of Zamira is Debasish Debnath, who used to work as a peon. "Similarly, Kalyan Dhar, whose name features as one of the directors of the three other companies is Arpita's brother-in-law and used to work as a driver," said the official.

"We would like to know from Arpita about the exact roles of the directors of these companies that have links with her, their volume and extent of business and how the salaries of the staffs were funded," the official added.

Over two sessions of interrogation on Sunday, Arpita was evasive about her income source and pleaded ignorance about most of the questions about the four companies and their statements of accounts, said ED sources.

"The model and actor already washed off her hands when she was asked about the huge volume of cash recovered from her two apartments. She said Chatterjee's men used to come and keep the money and she had no access to the rooms where the cash was stashed. Since we found her relative's name in the list of directors of one of the companies, she cannot plead ignorance," said another ED official.

July sees lowest militant attacks in a month this yr

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

Figures of militancy violence in 2022

Month	Encounters	Militants killed	Civilians killed	Security men killed
July	05	05	00	01
June	19	33	02	02
May	12	17	06	05
April	12	25	02	03
March	08	13	07	04
Feb	06	07	01	03
Jan	13	25	02	00

THE militancy violence in Jammu and Kashmir has witnessed a significant decline since the start of the Amarnath Yatra on June 30. In fact, the militancy violence in July is the lowest in a month this year so far.

As per statistics from June 1 to June 30, when the 45-day Amarnath Yatra started, 19 encounters took place between militants and security forces in different parts of the Valley. One of the encounters had also taken place at the International Border in Jammu region in which a Pakistani infiltrator was killed by the BSF men.

In the 19 encounters, 33 militants, including seven Pakistani nationals and 26 locals, were killed. During June, militants carried out three hit-and-run attacks targeting civilians and security men. Besides, militants also carried out three grenade and IED attacks targeting security men. In these attacks, two security men and two non-locals, including a bank manager from Rajasthan and a migrant labourer from Bihar, were killed.

Ahead of the start of the Amarnath Yatra, security arrangements were beefed up across the Valley, especially on twin yatra routes of Pahalgam and Baltal, besides Srinagar. Additional companies of paramilitary forces were brought to the Valley and deployed to ensure safe and smooth conduct of the pilgrimage. The security deployment seems to have had a positive impact on the ground situation in the Valley.

After the start of the pilgrimage, five encounters have taken place in a month, in which five militants and an Armyman were killed. There were three hit-and-run attacks by militants from June 30 to July 30. In these attacks, two security men were killed. Significantly, no civilian killing took place in July and no targeted killing was carried out by militants.

The militancy violence in July has been the lowest in a month this year. In January, 25 militants were killed in 13 encounters, followed by seven militant killings in six encounters in February, 13 militant killings in eight encounters in March, 25 militants killed in 12 encounters in April and 27 militants killed in 12 encounters in May.

Many areas cleared off militancy: LG Sinha

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha while addressing a passing out-cum attestation parade of 538 new recruits at Police Training Centre on Sunday said security forces have been able to clear off many areas in J&K from the menace of militancy and its ecosystem.

"However, for eradicating militancy, all its off-shoots and tools supporting it need to be destroyed," he said.

Raipur 'criminal gallery' to nab offenders, deter future incidents

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

WITH an aim to boost prompt action in policing, nab criminals and facilitate insight into investigation processes, the Raipur Police has set up a gallery showing images of persons with criminal records.

The 'criminals' gallery' — set up by the anti-crime branch and cyber cell unit of Raipur Police — has classified criminals in various categories along with their photos, personal details and the crime they had committed. On display are the criminal records of each of them, their place of residence, where and when they committed the crime and the offences for which they were jailed. The criminals are from the Chhattisgarh capital as well as from other states but had committed the offences reported at Raipur. Database regarding their previous track record has also been compiled as an album.

> **Details, photos on display**
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"The criminal gallery will soon be available on a digital platform where the history of the lawbreakers of the region can be visited when required. More categories of criminals will be added and updated in future," said Prashant Agrawal, senior superintendent of police, Raipur, who led the initiative. The gallery is linked to all police stations to facilitate the officials in their probe.

To begin with, over 150 identified criminals have been catalogued and displayed in the gallery, which will be updated every month. These offenders have earlier been involved in crimes like dacoity, theft, loot, smuggling and other serious unlawful deeds.

According to the Raipur Police, it is a first of its kind initiative that might help the law enforcement agencies of other states too. Victims or witnesses can also visit the gallery to examine and corroborate or substantiate if the suspected or accused bears a resemblance to the criminal recorded in the police archive.

"The gallery might possibly also act as a deterrent for criminals to keep away from crime," said Agrawal.

2 killed and several others injured after UN peacekeepers opened fire during an incident in the eastern DR Congo

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	36	24	TDS	Los Angeles	30	19	LC
Colombo	28	26	LC	Melbourne	15	9	HR
Dhaka	31	27	TDS	Moscow	26	14	HR
Dubai	41	34	SNY	New York	26	23	LC
Houston	33	26	SNY	Singapore	31	26	TDS
Istanbul	30	21	LC	Toronto	26	18	LC
London	26	18	LC	Washington	31	23	LC

Russian Navy members patrol in front of a headquarter of Russia's Black Sea Fleet in Sevastopol, in Crimea on Sunday | AFP

Latest shelling kills Ukraine's grain tycoon

Officials say Vadatursky died when a missile struck his house

KYIV

UKRAINE said the strongest shelling by Moscow so far of the southern city Mykolaiv killed a grain tycoon Sunday, as Russia claimed an attack from a drone wounded six personnel at the headquarters of its Black Sea fleet in annexed Crimea.

AFP journalists witnessed intense Russian bombardment of the eastern town of Bakhmut after President Volodymyr Zelensky called for civilians to leave the front line Donetsk region bearing the brunt of the Kremlin's offensive.

Russian authorities in the Crimean Black Sea peninsula—seized by Moscow from Ukraine in 2014—said a small explosive device from a commercial drone, likely launched nearby, hit the navy command in Sevastopol.

The local mayor blamed Ukrainian nationalists for the attack that forced the cancellation of festivities in the city marking Russia's annual holiday celebrating the navy.

But a spokesman for Ukraine's Odesa region military administration denied Kyiv—whose nearest positions are some 200 kilometres away—was responsible and called the incident a sheer provocation.

"Our liberation of Crimea from the occupiers will be carried out in another way and much more effectively," spokesman Sergiy Bratchuk wrote on Telegram.

Authorities in Ukraine's southern city of Mykolaiv said Sunday that widespread Russian bombardments overnight had left at least two civilians dead, as Moscow continued to pummel the sprawling front line.

"Mykolaiv was subjected to mass shelling today. Probably the strongest so far," the city's mayor Oleksandr Senkevych wrote on Telegram. The authorities said leading Ukrainian agricultural magnate Oleksiy Vadatursky, 74, and his wife Raisa were killed when a missile struck their house.

Vadatursky, who was ranked Ukraine's 24th richest man with a fortune worth $430 million by Forbes, owned major grain exporter Nibulon and was previously decorated with the prestigious "Hero of Ukraine" award.

Mykolaiv has been attacked frequently and is the closest Ukrainian city to the southern front where Kyiv's forces are looking to launch a major counter-offensive to recapture the territory lost after Russia invaded Ukraine on February 24. *AFP*

FIRST GRAIN CARGO COULD LEAVE ODESA PORT TODAY

ANKARA

A spokesman for the Turkish presidency said there was a high probability that a first ship carrying Ukrainian grain could leave Ukraine's port of Odesa on Monday. That is despite Russian missiles hitting the city in the wake of the July 22 agreement on shipping grain between Russia, Turkey, the UN and Ukraine.

"There is a strong possibility that a first ship could leave tomorrow morning if everything is sorted out by this evening," Ibrahim Kalin said in an interview. But Kalin said there were still "one or two subjects to be settled in the negotiations with the Russians".

"Preparations have reached a point to allow the ships to leave the port of Odessa. The ships have been loaded, they are ready to leave, but we need good logistical coordination," he said.

The resumption of exports was also discussed in talks between the Turkish and Ukrainian defence ministers, Ankara said Sunday. "It is planned to begin transport as soon as possible," the Turkish ministry said in a statement.

The deal to lift the blockade is aimed at easing a global food crisis that has seen prices soar in some of the poorest countries across the globe. The coordination centre is responsible for registering and tracking merchant ships taking part in the convoys, monitoring them via the web and satellite, and inspecting the ships as they are loaded at Ukrainian ports and when they arrive at Turkish ports. *AFP*

Pelosi confirms trip to Asia but silent on Taiwan

BEIJING

THE speaker of the US House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi, confirmed Sunday she will visit four Asian countries this week but made no mention of a possible stop in Taiwan that has fueled tension with Beijing, which claims the island democracy as its own territory.

Pelosi said in a statement she is leading a congressional delegation to Singapore, Malaysia, South Korea and Japan to discuss trade, the Covid-19 pandemic, climate change, security and democratic governance.

Pelosi has yet to confirm news reports that she might visit Taiwan. Chinese President Xi Jinping warned against meddling in Beijing's dealings with the island in a phone call Thursday with his American counterpart, Joe Biden.

Beijing sees official American contact with Taiwan as encouragement to make its decades-old de facto independence

A man uses a magnifying glass to read a newspaper headline reporting on US House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's Asia visit, at a stand in Beijing on Sunday | AP

permanent, a step US leaders say they don't support. Pelosi, head of one of three branches of the US government, would be the highest-ranking elected American official to visit Taiwan since then-Speaker Newt Gingrich in 1997.

The Biden administration didn't explicitly urge Pelosi to avoid Taiwan but tried to assure Beijing there was no reason to come to blows and that if such a visit occurred, it would signal no change in US policy.

"Under the strong leadership of President Biden, America is firmly committed to smart, strategic engagement in the region, understanding that a free and flourishing Indo-Pacific is crucial to prosperity in our nation and around the globe," Pelosi's statement said.

The US switched diplomatic recognition from Taipei to Beijing in 1979, but maintains informal relations with the island. Washington is obligated by federal law to see that Taiwan has the means to defend itself.

Washington's One China policy says it takes no position on the status of the two sides but wants their dispute resolved peacefully. Beijing promotes an alternative One China principle that says they are one country and the Communist Party is its leader.

Members of Congress publicly backed Pelosi's interest in visiting Taiwan despite Chinese opposition.

The People's Liberation Army, has flown growing numbers of fighter planes and bombers around Taiwan to intimidate the island. *AP*

Chinese rocket makes uncontrolled return to Earth

The July 24 launch of the Long March-5B, China's most-powerful rocket, carried the Wentian laboratory into orbit. It was attached on Monday to the Tianhe main module, where three astronauts live. But the debris from the rocket came back to earth leading US officials to chide Beijing for not sharing information about the potentially hazardous object's descent

NO CLARITY

The announcement gave no details of whether remaining debris fell on land or sea but said the landing area was at 119 degrees east longitude and 9.1 degrees north latitude

THAT IS IN WATERS SOUTHEAST OF THE PHILIPPINE CITY OF PUERTO PRINCESA ON THE ISLAND OF PALAWAN

There was no immediate word from Philippine authorities about whether anyone on the ground was affected

BURNING DEBRIS

Malaysia's space agency said it detected rocket debris burning up on re-entry before falling in the Sulu Sea northeast of the island of Borneo

"The debris of the rocket caught fire while entering the Earth's airspace and the movement of the burning debris also crossed Malaysian airspace and could be detected in several areas including crossing the airspace around the state of Sarawak," it said

LONG MARCH-5B ROCKET

Most of the final stage of the Long March-5B rocket burned up after entering the atmosphere at 12:55 am, the China Manned Space Agency reported

The agency said earlier the booster rocket would be allowed to fall unguided

CRITICISM FACED BY CHINA IN THE PAST

The country's first space station, Tiangong-1, crashed into the Pacific Ocean in 2016 after Beijing confirmed it lost control. An 18-ton rocket fell uncontrolled in May 2020

NASA accused Beijing last year of failing to meet responsible standards regarding their space debris after parts of a Chinese rocket landed in the Indian Ocean

China has faced criticism for allowing rocket stages to fall to Earth uncontrolled twice before

China also faced criticism after using a missile to destroy one of its defunct weather satellites in 2007, creating a field of debris

RAMOS, EX-PHILIPPINE LEADER WHO HELPED OUST DICTATOR, DIES

MANILA

FORMER Philippine President Fidel Valdez Ramos, who played a key role in a 1986 pro-democracy uprising that ousted a dictator, has died. He was 94.

Ramos's family announced his death with profound sadness but did not provide any details in a brief statement that asked for privacy.

The US, the EU and other foreign governments expressed their condolences. "His contributions to the US-Philippines bilateral relationship and advancing our shared goals of peace and democracy will always be remembered," the US Embassy in Manila said.

One of his legacies was the 1996 signing of a peace agreement between his government and the Moro National Liberation Front, the largest Muslim separatist group at the time in the volatile southern Philippines, homeland of minority Muslims. *AP*

Prince Charles' charity got funds from Osama's family: Report

LONDON

BRITAIN'S Prince Charles is facing more questions over his charities after a newspaper reported that one of his funds accepted a $1.2 million donation from relatives of Osama bin Laden. *The Sunday Times* reported that the Prince of Wales's Charitable Fund received the money in 2013 from Bakr bin Laden, and his brother Shafiq. Both are half-brothers of the former al-Qaida leader, who was killed by US special forces in Pakistan in 2011.

The newspaper said advisers had urged the heir to the throne not to take the donation. Charles' Clarence House office disputed that but confirmed the donation had been made. It said the decision to accept the money was taken by the charity's trustees, not the prince, and thorough due diligence was undertaken in accepting this donation. The fund's chairman, Ian Cheshire, also said the donation was agreed by five trustees at the time, and any attempt to suggest otherwise is misleading and inaccurate. *AP*

PM race: Rishi says racism has no role to play

LONDON

FORMER Chancellor Rishi Sunak said Sunday that racism is not a factor in the Conservative Party membership's decision to vote for the next party leader and successor of Boris Johnson as British Prime Minister. Sunak dismissed factors such as gender or ethnicity would play a part in Tory members' postal ballots from next week. It followed an Indian-origin businessman and Conservative Party donor, Lord Rami Ranger, saying in a video last week that Britain would be seen as racist if Sunak goes on to lose the Tory leadership election.

A ruthless coup

Dorries previously attacked Sunak's and accused him of leading a ruthless coup against Johnson. "I am...disappointed that Boris Johnson was removed via a ruthless coup...led largely by Rishi Sunak," she has said

"I absolutely don't think that's a factor in anyone's decision. I just don't think that's right," Sunak told *The Daily Telegraph*. "I was selected as a member of Parliament in Richmond. Our members rightly put merit above everything else. I'm sure when they are considering this question, they are just figuring out who is the best person to be Prime Minister...Gender, ethnicity and everything else will have nothing to do with it," he said.

Meanwhile, Culture Secretary Nadine Dorries, who has been very vocal in attacks against Rishi Sunak, was facing criticism for retweeting a distasteful image of Sunak.

She re-posted a tweet on her social media account showing an image of Johnson dressed as Roman leader Julius Caesar and Sunak stabbing him in the back, a reference to his killer Brutus. *PTI*

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What happens when you miss filing your I-T return on time

If you have missed the deadline of filing ITR, you can still file it by 31 Dec, 2022, but with some penalties like late fee, interest on tax liability and no revision of ITR

MONIKA YADAV @New Delhi

FOR any common citizen, who doesn't have to get their accounts audited, the last day for filing income tax return (ITR) is 31 July. For the last two years, the government extended the due date for filing the ITR forms due to the Covid-19 pandemic and glitches in the revamped income-tax e-filing portal, but generally the deadline is July 31. So, what happens in case you miss filing ITR on time?

Penalty

If you have missed the deadline of filing ITR, you can still file it by 31 December 2022. This ITR is called a belated return. However, the belated filing of the ITR comes with certain consequences. You will have to pay a late fee of ₹5,000, if your income is above ₹5 lakh per annum and ₹1,000 in case it is below ₹5 lakh per annum.

"Carry forward of losses (other than loss from house property), if any, is not allowed if you miss the due date such as losses on sale of property/shares/capital assets," Sudhir Kaushik, founder, taxspanner.com, said.

For instance, if you have losses from sale of shares and securities, in normal course, you can carry forward such losses for 8 years. If in future, you have any gain from sale of shares and securities, the gain is reduced by the losses for earlier years and only the net gain is charged to tax. Now, if the return is filed late, after 31 July 2022, the taxpayer cannot avail this benefit of carry forward of losses. Similar is the case where the taxpayer has sold an immovable property which results in a loss for tax purposes, particularly because of the indexation benefit.

Interest on tax liability

The third impact comes by way of interest. If you file your return late and there is any tax payable at the stage of filing the return of income, you are liable to pay interest @ 1% per month for delayed filing of the tax return. This interest is in addition to the penalty that is payable on delayed payment of taxes.

No revision of ITR

When you have filed the ITR in time but happen to discover any error or mistake in the ITR, you can correct the same by filing a revised ITR by 31 December 2022.

"The taxpayer can file a revised ITR any number of times, if the original return is filed within the due date. This benefit of revising the ITR is not available if the original ITR is filed late. Therefore, while filing a belated ITR, the taxpayer should be extra cautious and ensure that the ITR is correct in all respects, since mistakes in a belated ITR cannot be corrected," Chetan Daga, Partner at AdvantEdge Consulting Group said. The Government launched an annual information system (AIS) last year in November which contains all the details of savings bank interest, dividends, capital gains and share transactions. So, it is important for the taxpayers to check both the AIS and Form 26 AS for any mismatch. Instances are not uncommon where taxpayers observe that information reflected on the AIS is not correct or is partly correct, say experts.

"AIS is not binding on the taxpayer, so a taxpayer can report numbers on the tax return that are different from the AIS; however, if the particulars reported on the tax return are substantially different than the AIS, the Tax Department may seek reasons for the variation. Additionally, taxpayers should note that the AIS portal has a facility to submit feedback for incorrect or inaccurate entries. Where a taxpayer believes that certain information on his AIS is incorrect, he can avail the benefit of the feedback mechanism. Taxpayers reporting information on the ITR that is different from the AIS should ensure that the variations are genuine and supported by adequate evidence," Daga stated.

What if the taxpayer misses the final due date 31 December 2022 for ITR related to FY22? Well, in such cases, the law does not support filing the tax returns beyond 31 December. For such a taxpayer, the ITR can be filed if the Tax Authorities issue a notice for non-filing of ITR wherein additional time is provided to file the ITR. Another option that is available, is to file an application to the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) for condoning the delay in filing the ITR.

"Application to CBDT can be sustained only if there is a genuine reason beyond the control of the taxpayer, which prevents the taxpayer from filing the ITR. This route, therefore, is for truly deserving and exceptional cases and not as a general norm of seeking relief," Daga added.

Important points to note about ITR

Those less than **60 years** of age with income **₹2.5 lakh** per annum need to file ITR

Those above **60 years** of age but less than **80 years** with annual income of more than `3 lakh per annum need to file ITR

Senior citizens above **80 years** of age with yearly income of more than **₹5 lakh** are also required to file ITR

Taxpayers with annual income up to **₹5 lakh** will need to pay a late fee of **₹1,000**

You can file belated ITR by **December 31, 2022**

On belated ITR, you will have to pay late fee

Those with income over **₹5 lakh** per annum, will have to pay **₹5,000** as late fee penalty

You will also have to pay interest on late payment of taxes and also for delayed filing of return

Your money faces headwinds. Watch out!

RAJAS KELKAR

GLOOMY and more uncertain, says the latest update from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), a multilateral agency on prospects for the world economy. The world's biggest economies face unprecedented challenges. Surging inflation and economic slowdown are putting uncertainty at the centre of everything. Financial markets can deal with volatility. However, it is hard to move forward when things get uncertain. That applies to bonds, equity and currency markets alike.

It is a cycle of negative news flow that could take the shine off your savings and investments. Interest rates continue to move up as that is a significant weapon against inflation. Your investments have no meaning in a high inflation scenario.

For example, the annual consumer price inflation rate in Sri Lanka is over 60%. To tame that, the government in Sri Lanka not only has to raise interest rates it has to enforce austerity measures on an unprecedented level to curb demand for goods and services. That puts people into hardship. At the same time, they can survive that if it is for a few weeks or months. However, the longer it lasts, it could trigger further civil unrest.

The inflation beast is in India's neighbourhood. Pakistan is another country where the economy is on the brink. That is causing a lot of hardship to the people. For example, Pakistan does not have a domestic tea manufacturing capability. It imports over $600m worth of tea from countries like Sri Lanka. A minister in that country was quoted as urging the Pakistani people to consume less tea.

How vulnerable is India

Last week, former RBI governor Raghuram Rajan said that India was not facing a situation similar to Pakistan and Sri Lanka thanks to the efficient management of foreign exchange reserves by the Reserve Bank of India. A key indicator is the money India owes to foreigners. The headline number of the current account deficit indicates that it has narrowed steadily in the quarter to March 2022. According to the RBI data, India has enough money to pay for 11 months of imports. Also, India does not owe too much foreign exchange to other nations. The short-term debt repayment is bringing many economies down. India's short-term liabilities are manageable. Besides that, India's merchandise exports rose, and foreign remittances to India remained strong, according to a speech by Michael D Patra, deputy governor of the RBI, last month.

SOURAV ROY

What it means to your money

Your fixed deposits would enjoy a higher interest rate. However, if inflation remains elevated, that makes no difference to the actual returns you get on your savings. They remain low. For creating wealth, the ability to save money is just a stepping stone. You need to invest regularly to beat inflation over the long term. Equity assets are the only asset class that can help you consistently beat inflation. You need patience and the ability to hold on to your investments.

Equity returns are linked to profits generated by major listed companies. You directly or indirectly invest in these businesses. Rising inflation and interest rates put pressure on corporate profits. If money costs get too high, businesses tend to slow down investments and spending. That further hurts job creation and stalls economic activity. The latest quarterly conference call transcript of Hindustan Unilever, the biggest consumer company, mentions inflation 65 times. The company management has warned of future profit margin pressure due to high input prices.Similarly, TCS, the biggest software services exporter, told investors that the technology spending by companies in the US and Europe would be resilient despite the geo-political conflict in Europe. As diverse businesses navigate a strategy out of challenging situations, you need to focus on your priorities.

If you have financial commitments in the short term, you should not invest in equity assets. There is no point in blaming equity markets if you suffer losses. Your money needs you to take a rational approach. Put aside the amount you do not need now. If you have a good understanding of finance, you may want to put it in equity assets directly and indirectly regularly. You are better off index investing if you are not a 'finance' person.

(The author is editor-in-chief at www.moneyminute.in)

MONEY-WISE

THE RETIREMENT PROBLEM THAT PEOPLE DON'T KNOW

This is not a 'Retirement' problem as much as it is an old-age problem. I have met and spoken on a one-to-one basis with very many people, but a few standout in my memory. I met this 70 year old childless couple who had run out of their total corpus, did not have a house, and didn't know where the next meal would come from. They had ₹3 lakh - but had no clue how they could live say next 20 years?

I have even heard of a son selling off his parental house and leaving his parents stranded at the Airport where he went away with all the money.

Welcome, to the Dark side of Retirement. It is dark, and opaque.

While most of the stories that you hear are about 'Golden' retirement, in a few cases, it is 'Red' Retirement. Whether you want it to be Golden or Red depends to a great extent on your preparedness for retirement. Money, of course, is important, but then so is being prepared mentally, and physically too.

Financially speaking - very few retirees have a nice indexed pension. For the others, they have to have enough financial management skills - to make their money last for say 35 years post retirement. Not many people have enough money AND the management skills. Survey after survey in the USA show that a big part of the population has no clue about the financial management skills needed while in retirement.

We don't have enough resources to do research in India, but the results are likely to be similar, if not worse. Now throw in 8% inflation, and 7% p.a. return in bank deposits (subject to tax) - means further bad news!

Many people are so poorly prepared for retirement that they Assume that they will surely get an extension! Even those who know that they have to retire at 58, are not so well prepared. Many of the Retirees could be heading for depression, and this again is not addressed enough in India.

What can you do to avoid being a victim?

First of all sit with your spouse and plan for your Retirement. This might mean preparing a will and other documents needed to handle the great departure which we will all have one day. It might mean teaching your spouse some basic, management skills regarding money, security, etc. Increase your social life - out of the workplace friends - this will make it easier post retirement.

Second create a school and college group - remember you will be the same age! This will help you decide on where to live in your old age, planning vacations etc. So the missing of the social action after you have left office is taken care of by this group. Focus on your physical fitness - join a gym and say swimming. You could b doing cycling, running, swimming and going to the gym. This could mean you are busy for 2 hours doing all this, as well as meeting people much younger to you, and that itself could keep you away from illness and disease. Start your Retirement with a Prayer. It helps.

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Markets await auto sales, monetary policy

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AFTER benchmark indices - Nifty and Sensex rallied close to 3% during last week to record their best weekly performance of recent months, all eyes are now on auto sales, RBI monetary policy and the next batch of earnings as bulls are expected to remain in a dominant position.

Nifty and Sensex ended higher by 2.6% and 2.7%, to close at 17,158.25 and 57,570.25 levels, respectively.

During the month of July, both the indices rallied close to 9%, its best monthly run in a long time.

Ajit Mishra, VP - Research, Religare Broking Ltd, said that markets traded buoyant for the second successive week, largely led by favourable global cues.

To start with, the dovish tone of the US Fed boosted sentiment across markets including India.

He added, "The coming week marks the beginning of the new month also so participants will be eyeing crucial data viz. auto sales, PMI numbers and GST collection figures for cues. The highlight would be the MPC (monetary policy committee) meet after the recent Fed policy and its outcome is scheduled for August 5."

Mishra reiterated his preference for auto, FMCG, banking and financial stocks.

Led by the RBI governor Shaktikanta Das, the MPC meeting has been rescheduled to take place during August 3-5. Most analysts expect the RBI to hike repo rate by 35 to 50 bps in the upcoming policy. A hike of 75bps may lighten liquidity and impact recovery of the equity market.

"This week, traders will be busy with domestic cues where the outcome of the RBI policy will be the most important event after the 75 basis rate hike by the US Fed. Apart from this, monthly auto sales numbers and the next batch of Q1 earnings will be other important domestic factors to drive the market. The market will also have an eye on the direction of global markets, crude oil, and the dollar index," said Santosh Meena, Head of Research, Swastika Investmart Ltd.

Technically, the Nifty is in strong bullish momentum and managed to close above its 200-DMA (daily moving average) which has opened the door for the 17700 level however 17330-17475 is an immediate resistance zone, added Meena.

Will recession fears hit IT spending?

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THOUGH CEOs of top IT firms in India said the demand environment looks good in the present quarter, from client spending to margins and attritions, almost all firms have started seeing headwinds.

A potential macro slowdown can affect EBIT margins of IT companies. IT firms' margins already came under pressure in the first quarter and executives attributed it to supply side pressure.

Infosys' operating margins in the first quarter were at 20%, a drop of 150 basis points compared to the previous quarter.

Infosys CFO Nilanjan Roy said major components of the sequential margin movements were headwinds of 1.6% due to salary increases, 0.4% due to drop in utilisation, and 0.3% due to increases in subcontractors, third party and other costs.

The IT company at an earnings call said that they are seeing some slowness in the mortgage industry and lending business due to increased interest rates and that they remain watchful of impacts of emerging global developments on budget for clients.

"The steady decline in operating margins has been going for several years - perhaps accelerated by a recent spike in attrition. It is because many Indian IT companies have not completed the shift to new capabilities around digital transformation which are not only high growth but higher priced," said Ranjit Tinaikar, Global CEO, Ness Digital Engineering.

According to Tinaikar, there will be a slowdown in overall IT spending as the new budgets get finalised by Q4 2022. However, spending on new digital products/platforms for transforming business will continue to grow rapidly.

Wipro's Q1 operating margins were lower at 15%. "The inorganic bets we made to accelerate our growth are presently diluting our margin by 2.3%, and at 15%, we believe we have bottomed out," Wipro CEO and MD Thierry Delaporte said. Even as the world heads into a likely recession, according to experts, the IT industry is continuing to experience strong demand.

"We have strong evidence to suggest that it will likely continue to enjoy stronger demand than the broader economy. We may see demand soften but still stay relatively strong when compared to other sectors," Peter Bendor-Samuel, CEO of Everest Group, a research firm, told TNIE.

"The significant complication for the industry is that it faces a tight labour market with the accompanying attrition but increased resistance to price increases, placing the service firms in the uncomfortable position of not being able to fully pass on their cost," he said.

He added that this in turn is putting pressure on margins, and will likely continue to do so as the recession deepens.

Indian IT firms may not have to face the challenge of the US recession in the short-term, as they have a robust pipeline in the making, said Yeshab Giri, Chief Commercial Officer, Staffing & Randstad Technologies, Randstad India.

With the industry attrition average touching 20%, companies in this sector should continue to seek top talent skilled in automation technologies, cloud computing, analytics and AI and offer attractive non-monetary incentives to induce retention.

"This talent is essential for organisations to scale and navigate a period of high growth that usually follows a recession period. Many organisations are also going to the campus to balance out the cost of hiring and retention,' he added.

FY22 ITR: About 44 L returns filed till 6 pm on last day

NEW DELHI: Nearly 44 lakh income tax returns were filed till 6 PM on the last day of filing ITR for 2021-22 fiscal by salaried individual, the I-T department said on Sunday.

The deadline for filing I-T returns, by those taxpayers who do not have to get their accounts audited for the fiscal ended on March 31, 2022, is Sunday.

Till July 30, more than 5.10 crore tax returns had been filed. According to tax laws, a ₹5,000 late fee would be payable by people having an annual income of over ₹5 lakh, if they file their ITR by December 31 of the assessment year. Over the month, the I-T department has been nudging taxpayers to file their ITRs for 2021-22 fiscal to avoid levy of late fees.

The I-T department also asked taxpayers to seek assistance regarding ITR filing by emailing to 'orm@cpc.incometax.gov.in' or calling help desk numbers.

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BRUM'S DAY

1.50 lakh tickets have been sold so far for the women's T20 cricket event at the CWG, beating the previous record of 136,549, which was set at the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2020 in Australia.

My grandma and my granddad love coming to watch racing and this is my first elite result in front of them because they were not able to come to Tokyo. To be able to go and give them a big cuddle afterwards, I can't even explain how special that is.
— New Zealand's Ellesse Andrews, who won individual gold after being stripped of team silver

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Weightlifter Jeremy, 19, sets two Games record to finish on top of the podium in 67kg on Sunday in Birmingham

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

India's Jeremy Lalrinnunga won gold in the 67kg weightlifting event on Sunday | PTI

THE last time Jeremy Lalrinnunga visited his home in Aizawl, Mizoram in June 2020, he was forced to stay away from his family to complete a mandatory quarantine period of 14 days. Despite staying at the sports training centre, which is only five minutes away from his home, he couldn't meet his parents and brothers given the protocols in the wake of the raging Covid-19 pandemic.

To add perspective to the issue, the lifter's journey had begun in 2012 when he started training at the Army Sports Institute in Pune. He was just nine then. He has rarely spent time with his family since then. All that can change, at least to some extent, once he returns from Birmingham, especially after his gold-winning effort at the ongoing 2022 Commonwealth Games on Sunday. The 2018 Youth Olympics gold medallist shattered two Games records (140kg in snatch and overall lift of 300kg) to finish on the top of the podium ahead of Samoa's Vaipava Ioane (127kg +166kg=293kg) and Nigeria's Edidiong Umoafia (130kg+160kg=290) in 67kg weight category.

"I have not been to my home for the past two years. This time I will take a week off and spend some quality time with my parents and brothers," he said after the event. The medal haul, however, was preceded by an injury scare. Jeremy pulled his thigh muscles during the competition, giving an opening to his Samoan rival to catch him in battle for gold.

He lifted 154kg in his first clean and jerk (C&J) attempt, and followed it up with a successful 160kg lift an pulled his thigh muscles in the process. The Nigerian lifter was already out of gold contention with his best attempt of 160kg but the Samoan lifted 163kg in his first attempt to put pressure back on the Indian. Jeremy went for 165kg in his last attempt but failed. On the contrary, Ioane set the Games record in C&J by lifting 166kg in his second attempt to narrow down the gap to 7kg. He though tried 174kg in his last attempt to overtake Jeremy but was unsuccessful.

"Due to it (muscle pull), I could not warm up properly. I informed coach Vijay Sharma about it and he then calculated the weights which I can lift. It's a minor injury and I will be ready for the next challenge soon," Jeremy added.

Earlier, the 19-year-old started in a dominating fashion in the snatch section as he lifted 136kg in his first attempt and improved it to 140kg, a Games record, in his next lift. He went for 143kg in his last attempt but couldn't succeed. The second-best lifter in the field, Umoafia's best lift was 130kg while Ioane, who was third by then, has the best lift of 127kg. The big gap helped Jeremy in the clean and jerk section, especially after he suffered an injury in the second attempt.

Popy seventh

Meanwhile, Popy Hazarika finished seventh in the women's 59kg event, putting a brake on India's medal rush. The lifter from Assam had a total lift of 183kg (81kg+102kg). It was the first of the six weightlifting events so far that didn't yield a medal for India. Rafiatu Folashade Lawal of Nigeria won gold while local favourite Jessica Gordon-Brown clinched silver.

After taekwondo snub, big lift for Bindyarani

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BINDYARANI Devi Sorokhaibam wanted to be a 'taekwondoin' (who practises taekwondo) when she started her sporting career. But given her short stature, the taekwondo coach instead asked her to pursue weightlifting. He even helped her meet the SAI's weightlifting coach Aheibam Ranjan Singh.

The decision turned out to be a masterstroke as Bindyarani, who hails from Manipur, was soon dubbed 'Mirabai 2.0' given her exploits on the weightlifting platform.

The 23-year-old lifter added yet another feather to her cap when she won a silver medal at the ongoing Commonwealth Games with a total lift of 202kg (86kg in snatch and 116kg in clean & jerk) in Birmingham on Saturday. Her podium finish meant Indian lifters bagged four medals from as many events on day one of the weightlifting competitions at the NEC Hall 1 on Saturday. "She wanted to be a taekwondo player but failed to impress the coach because of her short stature as height plays a crucial role in any combat sport," Ranjan, Bindyarani's childhood coach, told this daily. "The taekwondo coach brought her to me because he believed her short height could be a blessing in disguise in weightlifting," added the coach.

Games record

Bindyarani was lying third with the best lift of 86kg in her third attempt after the snatch event with Nigeria's Adijat Adenike Olarinoye (92kg) and England's Fraer Morrow (89kg) placed first and second respectively.

In her bid to close the gap, she lifted 110kg in her first attempt in the clean and jerk section. On the contrary, Morrow failed to lift 109kg giving Bindyarani an opening, who tried to lift 114kg in the second attempt but couldn't succeed. Morrow then lifted 109kg and went for 115kg in her last attempt to grab the silver but missed out. Bindyarani, on the other hand, lifted 116kg in her last attempt to not only finish second but also set the Games record in the 55kg clean and jerk event. With the lift, she also bettered her national record of 115kg set last month.

INDIA ROUND-UP

JOSHNA ENTERS WOMEN'S SINGLES QUARTERFINALS

Ace Indian squash player Joshna Chinappa outwitted New Zealand's Kaitlyn Watts 3-1 to progress to the women's singles quarterfinals The 18-time national champion kept her calm to recover from a mid-game slump to prevail 11-8, 9-11, 11-4, and 11-6 against Watts to set up a last-eight clash with Canada's Hollie Naughton.

INDIAN MEN'S TEAM IN TABLE TENNIS SEMIS

Defending champions India stormed into the semifinals of the men's table tennis team event after thrashing Bangladesh 3-0 on Sunday. The men's team, led by Achanta Sharath Kamal, had outclassed Barbados, Singapore and Northern Ireland by identical 3-0 margin in the group stage to make the quarterfinals.

CYCLIST RONALDO LOSES IN PRE-QUARTERS

Top Indian cyclist Ronaldo Laitonjam lost to Australia's Matthew Glaetzer in the pre-quarterfinals of the men's sprint event at the Commonwealth Games. The 20-year-old finished 0.162s behind Glaetzer, clocking 10.011s over the 200m distance. Ronaldo had earlier finished 13th in the qualifying round.

SWIMMER SRIHARI QUALIFIES FOR SEMIS

Srihari Natraj clocked 25.52 seconds to qualify for the semifinals of men's 50m backstroke event. The 21-year-old Indian from Bengaluru was the second fastest swimmer in his heat and eighth fastest overall. He has a personal best of 24.40s, having achieved it at World Championships last year in UAE.

MEN'S LAWN BOWL PAIR SHINES, ENTERS LAST 8

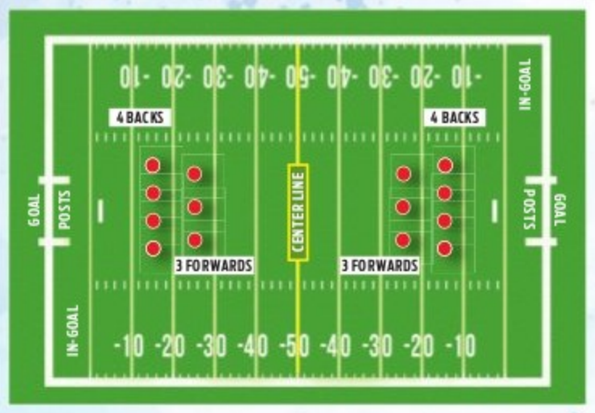
The Indian men's pair of Dinesh Kumar and Sunil Bahadur defeated England to advance to the quarter-finals of the lawn bowl event. Dinesh Kumar (skip) and Sunil Bahadur (lead) won 18-15. The duo was 10-5 ahead after the eighth end and thwarted English pair's effort to make a comeback.

INDIAN SHUTTLERS ENTER SEMIS OF MIXED TEAM EVENT

Indian shuttlers marched into the semifinals of the mixed team event after a 3-0 victory over South Africa. It was Lakshya Sen, Aakarshi Kashyap and mixed doubles pair of B Sumeeth Reddy and Ashwini Ponnappa who assured India's passage with wins in the first three ties. India will face Singapore next.

Rugby Sevens, a different version of Rugby Union

Like the name suggests, it's a seven-a-side game played over **two 7-minute** halves, instead of **15 playing 40-minute** two halves. Both teams attempt to score tries or penalties, moving ball from player to player by hand — always passing it backwards



POSITIONS Forwards (blue) 1. Prop 2. Hooker 3. Prop | Backs 4. Scrum-half 5. Fly-half 6. Centre 7. Wing

PLAYING TIME Seven minutes of two halves. In final, it's 10-minute halves

BALL Oval ball" 28-30cm long

SCORING
1 TRY: 5 points
Player runs ball over goal line
2 OVER BALL
Drop goal (3pts)
Penalty (3pts)
Conversion (2pts)
Ball kicked over crossbar

EXTRA TIME: If it is a draw at full time in section play the draw counts. In finals play, extra time is played in 5 minute periods and the first team to score wins.

RULES

Matches drawn after regulation are continued into golden point extra time, in multiple 5-minute periods

All conversion attempts must be drop-kicked

Kick-offs: In sevens, the team which has just scored kicks off, rather than the conceding team, as in fifteen-a-side

Scrums involves three players instead of eight players forming three rows

MEDALS TALLY

	C	G	S	B	Total
1	Aus	18	10	15	43
2	Eng	10	16	6	32
3	NZ	10	5	2	17
4	Can	3	4	8	15
5	Sco	2	7	8	17
6	Ind	2	2	1	5

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SQUASH: Women's Singles-Quarter-Final: Joshana Chinappa vs Canada's Hollie Naughton (6:00pm)

TABLE TENNIS: Men's Team - Semi-Final 2: India vs Nigeria (11:30pm)

SWIMMING: Men's 100m Butterfly - Heat 6: Sajan Prakash (From 3:51pm)

PARA SWIMMING: Men's 50m Freestyle S7 Final: Niranjan Mukundan and Suyash Narayan Jadhav (12:46 am)

JUDO: Men 66 Kg Elimination Round of 16: Jasleen Singh Saini Vs Vanuatu's Maxence Cugola (From 2:30 pm onwards). Women -48 kg - Quarter-Final: Shushila Devi Likmabam vs Malawi's Harriet Bonface. Men's 60 Kg Elimination Round of 16: Vijay Kumar Yadav Vs Mauritius' Winsley Gangaya .Women's 57 Kg Elimination Round Of 16: Suchika Tariyal Vs Zambia's Rita Rabinda **Knockout Matches Will Follow (Subject To Qualification)**

BOXING: Over 48kg - 51kg (Round of 16): Amit Panghal vs Vanuatu's Namri Berri (From 4:45pm).Over 54kg - 57kg (Round of 16): Hussam Uddin Mohammed vs Bangladesh's Md Salim Hossain .Over 75kg - 80kg (Round Of 16): Ashish Kumar Vs Niue's Travis Tapatuetoa

CYCLING: Women's Keirin First Round: Triyasha Paul, Shushikala Agashe, Mayuri Lute (From 6:32pm).Men's 40km Points Race Qualifying: Naman Kapil, Venkappa Kengalagutti, Dinesh Kumar and Vishavjeet Singh. Men's 1000 m Time Trial Finals: Ronaldo Laitonjam and David Beckham. Women's 10km Scratch Race Final: Meenakshi

HOCKEY: Men's Pool B: India Vs England (8:30pm)

WEIGHTLIFTING: Men's 81 Kg: Ajay Singh (From 2:00pm). Women's 71 Kg: Harjinder Kaur

Nikhat shines, one hit away from medal

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India's Nikhat Zareen surpassed Mozambique's Helena Ismael Bagao with ease in her first bout of the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham on Sunday | AFP

NIKHAT Zareen has been operating at a different level in recent times. After being in MC Mary Kom's shadows for years, the 26-year-old clearly seems to be enjoying the present. On Sunday, the 50kg boxer, who's looking to pocket her maiden CWG title, delivered a boxing masterclass to Helena Ismael Bagao of Mozambique, overpowering her helpless rival with ease in Birmingham.

It was Helena who was the aggressor at the start of the bout. Nikhat was using the ring space to good effect and hitting on counters. As the round progressed, Nikhat was standing her ground and landing more combination punches. Helena seemed to be running out of gas and her punches were clearly missing the intended target.

Nikhat began the second round with some left-handed jabs while Helena, having recovered some energy, went for the big punches. But Nikhat was up to the task and with some lusty punches of her own had Helena at arm's length. Every time Helena tried to show some intent, Nikhat had her on the backfoot with some well-executed punches. The Indian, who etched her name in history books by winning gold during the IBA World Championships in May, seemed to be on song at the death. With her guard down, Nikhat was picking gaps with ease. The judges' score (Nikhat was miles ahead) after the round was a clear indicator of how the bout had played out until then.

In the final round, Nikhat showed her ruthless side, something that's vital at the elite level, as she went for the kill. Helena clearly lacked the speed and Nikhat was quick to make her pay on several occasions. The Indian was clearly hurting her opponent with some pinpoint blows on her head. With just less than 60 seconds remaining, the referee had seen enough and stopped the contest. "The bout went according to plans. We are pleased with the performance. I thought the opponent was taking a lot of punches and the fight could have stopped earlier as well," Bhaskar Bhatt, national women's chief coach, who was by the ringside, told this daily.

The pugilist from Telangana will be up against Helen Jones in the quarterfinals. If Nikhat can beat Helen, she will assure herself a medal. Bhaskar is certain that Nikhat can keep up her strong run.

"She is playing with plenty of confidence. It's a step-by-step process for her now. She is hungry for success. We are not bothered by who she is up against. We are just focussed on her," Bhatt noted.

While Nikhat had a happy outing, Shiva Thapa, taking part in his second bout, lost against Scotland's Reese Lynch. Later, India's Sumit (75kg), making his CWG debut, lost 0-5 against Australia'a Callum Peters in a pre-quarterfinal contest.

MARCHING ON

India Pak a punch, show further gulf in class

India vice-captain Smriti Mandhana scored an unbeaten 63 against Pakistan at Edgbaston on Sunday, guiding the team home in the chase | AP

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FROM the moment the schedule came out and the buildup for the Commonwealth Games began, all the cricket promotions were focussing on one match — India versus Pakistan. Historically, it is a contest that has been milked for promotions in every global event like the World Cup and Asia Cup across men's and women's cricket for obvious reasons. Not for nothing, there's geographical history between the two neighbouring countries and they haven't played any bilateral cricket since 2012. And then, the subcontinental cricket giants have been part of some historical cricket matches, especially with the men's cricket.

However, in women's cricket, the rivalry is close to nonexistent. When it comes to the results, there has been very little contest between the two teams. In the 11 ODIs India and Pakistan have played against each other, the former have a clean record of winning all the matches. As for the shortest format, Pakistan have beaten India twice in 12 games, both coming in the T20 World Cups.

And Sunday was no different as India thumped Pakistan for a comfortable eight-wicket win in a rain-interrupted 18 overs a side Commonwealth Games encounter at Edgbaston, moving to the top of the table in Group A. Smriti Mandhana was the star with the bat as the southpaw smashed an unbeaten 63 off 42 balls, helping India chase down a sub-par total of 100 with 38 balls to spare.

Brief scores
Pakistan 99 all out in 18 ovs (Muneeba 32, Rana 2/15) **lost to** India 102/2 in 11.2 ovs (Mandhana 63 n.o).

In the chase, there was no fuss at all. The message was clear. India wanted to finish it off as soon as they could and get ahead of other teams in the net run rate.

And the Indian vice-captain took it upon herself to do the job. Mandhana was going after the bowlers from ball one. And it wasn't some mindless aggression. She was precise in her footwork, timing and placements, adding a bit of left-hander's elegance to it. She was in her zone.

Shafali Verma had her share of fun as well before getting out, smashing Anam Amin into the stand, But, all in all it was a 'Mandhana show' as the 25-year-old ensured she was there in the middle till India saw through the chase. With a NRR of 1.17, India are on top of Group A, their next match against Barbados on Tuesay is a virtual quarterfinal.

Earlier, coming into the contest, both India and Pakistan were under pressure having lost their opening games in the tournament.

With the threat of rain looming, when Pakistan skipper Bismah Maroof opted to bat first, it came as a relief for Harmanpreet Kaur who was keen on chasing.

While Meghna Singh delivered with the new ball, Muneeba Ali and Bismah Maroof launched a counterattack. And it was Rana, on a comeback after being rested for the Sri Lanka tour, who dismissed both Muneeba and Bismah and from thereon, Pakistan went downhill, losing their last five wickets for just four runs in a span of eight deliveries.

Verstappen maxes Hungarian GP for 8th win of the season

BUDAPEST: World champion Max Verstappen fully exploited another Ferrari flop to pull 80 points clear of Charles Leclerc in this year's title race with an emphatic Red Bull triumph in Sunday's Hungarian Grand Prix. The 24-year-old Dutchman scored his first win at the Hungaroring, his eighth this year and the 28th of his career.

OLYMPIAD, THE LAND OF DIVERSITY

Several teams have in their ranks players who were born elsewhere and moved to their adopted land recently

INDIA B CONTINUE TO FLY

To nobody's surprise, India B -- filled with some of the country's best players in the game today -- blanked Switzerland 4-0 on Sunday. With the win, they are now 12-0 after three rounds, the best among the Indian teams. Interestingly, after the tie, R Praggnanandhaa said 'his game was very poor'.

OPEN

INDIA A BT GREECE 3-1

INDIA B BT SWIZTERLAND 4-0

INDIA C BT ICELAND 3-1

WOMEN

INDIA A BT ENGLAND 3-1

INDIA B BT INDONESUA 3-1

INDIA C BT AUSTRIA 2.5-1.5

US, NORWAY LOSE GROUND

US and Norway, two of the top three seeds in the Open category, lost further ground after some major upsets on Saturday. While Italy, who have no GMs rated higher than Norway, beat their more illustrious opponents 3-1 (Magnus Carlsen drew), US drew two of their games to Georgia but did manage to win 3-1. But they will consider this a point dropped.

ARONIAN A HIT AMONG THE MASSES

US' Levon Aronian, after his game against Georgia's Mikheil Mchedlishveli, came out of the hall to speak to FIDE. When fans realised who he was, he was quickly mobbed. To be fair to the American, he obliged every autograph and selfie request before going back inside the playing hall a good 20 minutes later.

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WESLEY So was born in the Philippines. Temur Kuybokarov was born in Uzbekistan. Alina Kashlinskaya was born in Russia. Amir Bagheri was born in Iran. At the Olympiad, So represents US. Kuybokarov plays for Australia. Kashlinskya wears the Poland jersey. Bagheri is on the top board for Monaco.

Welcome to the world of elite chess, where citizenship-related documents may be incidental as long as one federation wants a player and the other federation is willing to grant the player in question a No Objection Certificate (NOC). This year alone, the World Chess Federation (FIDE) has granted more than 150 player transfers.

Proof of how 'easy' it is to switch federations -- the exact word used by the event's Deputy Chief Arbiter, Gopakumar Sudhakaran -- can be found across various team rosters at the Olympiad. Take the US for example. The top seeds from the Open category have So (Philippines), Levon Aronian (Armenia) and Leinier Dominguez (Cuba), who were all born outside the US, played for the federations of their birth before transferring the allegiance to the US.

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So, one of the highest-rated active players in the world currently, was highly intimate with the issue at the post-game press conference on Friday. "They say the US is a land of immigrants. Basically, everyone in the US came from somewhere else at some point. Right now, chess is doing really well in the US. There are many private sponsors who enjoy the game. Personally, switching to the US is the best decision I made in my life.

The USA team is among the most diversified in the ongoing Chess Olympiad at Mahabalipuram in Chennai | R SATISH BABU

"I got a lot more support, training and really good sparring partners. For Levon too, it was a really good decision to switch considering the politics happening in Armenia. It was the right decision for him too. Even for Dominguez, he was already living in Miami and later moved to St Louis (Saint Louis is US' chess capital). Generally people have the right to live wherever they want to.

"There are many other nations also who are trying to recruit players. Romania recruited Richard Rapport recently, Spain got some new players and Russia got (Sergey) Karjakin several years ago. It is normal. It is an interesting part of chess. Because if you are a chess professional, it is important to be in the right place at the right time."

Players seemingly switch allegiances after disagreements with their original federations or if they feel like their chess career needs more support. For the 28-year-old So, it was an opportunity to further his career. "When you are a Grandmaster and trying to get to the next level, being in the right country (federation) at the right time is also very important. Otherwise, your strength will stagnate."

It's even more remarkable in Australia. Out of the two teams and 10 players that are at the Olympiad, seven of them were born elsewhere. Captain, Jack Rodgers, called the team 'one of the most diverse at the Olympiad'. "I believe we have one of the most diverse teams at the Olympiad," he told this daily.

"Out of the 10 players, seven were not born in Australia. Most of them have been long enough in Australia to gain citizenship obviously. We also have a high proportion of Indian-origin players in Australia. It is exciting to have that diversity because it brings different features to our chess. We will continue having diverse teams. We have a player from Uzbek, one from Russian heritage, one from Chinese heritage here."

Kuybokarov, the 22-year-old who moved to Australia during his teens, said he had been representing the country from 2019. "I was born in Uzbekistan. I made the move to Australia five years ago in 2017. My father had a business visa and so he moved to Australia. I started representing Australia in 2019."

There was another example in Sunday's match between India women and England. Lan Yao, who faced Tania Sachdev, was born in China and won the Chinese national youth championship when she was 14. But Yao, who is currently studying at UCL, switched her allegiance to England after she realised trainers in China wouldn't train her on till she completely quit school. She hopes to work in England after graduation.

This sort of open borders policy is thanks to FIDE's regulations. They do have a cooling-off period but it's not as strict as some of the other international federations. Apart from that, there has to be a compensation element paid to NCF for the time and money they spent in developing Carlsen.

"They need to apply to the world chess federation and they need an NOC from the previous federation. If it's a top player (wanting to move federations), there is a compensation that needs to be paid to the previous federation. If you are a normal player, there is a charge of 50 euros. Compensation part comes if the player is a GM because the country has spent a lot of money to make that player," Sudhakaran explained.

The compensation for a top GM like Carlsen is in the range of $60000. "FIDE has no issues if both countries are in the same boat.

Players are holding a passport of another country and playing for another country," one of the country's top-most arbiters added.

Just another of those quirky chess things.

Can Windies turn the tide?

Having lost the ODI series 0-3 and the first T20I badly, hosts West Indies would want to make a comeback in the second match at Basseterre on Monday. A look...

FINISHER KARTHIK CONTINUES TO IMPRESS

Ever since he made a comeback into the Indian team, Dinesh Karthik has been assigned the tough role of finisher, who will have to take on bowlers from ball one in the death overs. Karthik has continued to excel at it in the West Indies, smashing an unbeaten 19-ball 41 in the first T20I. With every performance, he is getting closer to sealing his spot for the World Cup.

ACCURACY OF ARSHDEEP A WELCOME SIGN

During the 2022 IPL, Arshdeep Singh did not have the kind of wicket tally. However, if there was one thing that's been a stand out feature about the left-arm pacer, it is his accuracy. Whether it is new ball or in the death overs, Arshdeep has been spot on and the results are starting to show. Should he continue to do well, it will only add to India's problem of plenty.

CAPTAIN POORAN TO DELIVER FOR HOSTS?

When Nicholas Pooran was named as West Indies skipper, it was a start of something new as they are trying to build a team for the future. While he has tasted success against Bangladesh recently, Pooran will have to step up and perform against stronger teams like India if the two-time T20 world champions were to put on a show in the upcoming global event.

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EXPRESS READ

Mane nets in Bayern's Super Cup triumph

BERLIN: Sadio Mane opened his competitive goal-scoring account for Bayern Munich as the Bundesliga champions defeated Leipzig 5-3 to capture the German Super Cup for a 10th time on Saturday. The African Player of the Year, who ended a six-year stint at Liverpool to move to Bavaria in the summer, also had two goals ruled out for offside.

Bouzkova wins first WTA title in Prague

PRAGUE: Marie Bouzkova claimed the first WTA title of her career at home in Prague on Sunday, sweeping past Russia's Anastasia Potapova. The eighth-seed won through 6-0, 6-3 against her opponent, seeded seventh, to lift the trophy in her fourth final after runner-up finishes at Guadalajara, Mexico this season, Melbourne last year and Monterrey in 2020.

India A to play New Zealand A at home

CHENNAI: India A cricket will be back on calendar as the BCCI is in talks with New Zealand Cricket (NZC) to host a full-fledged series at home beginning September 3. While the tour is all but confirmed, discussions on composition of the matches are understood to be underway. One plan is to play three four-day matches and three 50-over matches. The other plan is to keep four-day matches to two and play three 50-overs and two three T20 matches. With the Duleep Trophy scheduled to begin on September 8, it is understood that the selectors have already been instructed to pick the teams accordingly. There is a strong chance the three teams for Duleep Trophy will include a good mix of Under-23 players.

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If the said Borrowers fail to make payment to IIFL HFL as aforesaid, IIFL HFL may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act, and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrowers. For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office : "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, RichmondRoad, Bengaluru-560025. / or Corporate Office: IIFL Tower,/ Corporate Office: IIFL Tower**, Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place:Bangalore, Date: 01-08-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/ Time & Type of Possession
1	47519430001943 & 47519430001321 & 47519430001166	1) Mr. Mahesh Babu C., 2) Mrs. JayammaC.	28.04.2022, Rs.11,58,069.4 Rs.6,40,908.7 and Rs.78,067.00 as on 28.04.2022	27.07.2022 03.50 p.m. Symbolic Possession
	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.331, E Katha Property No.171/331, PID No.150200102401100170, measuring East to west 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet in total measuring 1200 Sq.ft. formed in Survey No.171, situated at Muttagatti Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, under the jurisdiction of Samandur Grama Panchayath. **East by:** Open Land, **West by:** Road, **North by:** House of Narayanappa, **South by:** Temple. Measuring East to west 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet in total measuring 1200 sq.ft.			
2	45359420000095	1) Mr. Shivaramareddy K. V., 2) Mrs. Ramalakshmi. G.	21.01.2022 Rs.32,03,023.00 as on 21.01.2022	26.07.2022 02.10 p.m. Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing Site No.15, Property No.15, PID No.34-58-21, Katha No.428/15, Kannurahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore, measuring East to west 6.134 Mtrs or 20 ft North to South 9.202 or 30 Feet and total Measuring 55.76 Sq.mtrs or 600. Sq.ft. and **bounded on: East by:** Site No.14, **West by:** Remaining Portion of same Property, **North by:** Site No.11, **South by:** 20 Ft Road.			
3	45349430000860	1) Mr. Fayaz Ahmed, 2) Shahawar A., 3) Azmath Ulla K. F.	27.04.2022 Rs.20,92,650.00 as on 27.04.2022	27.05.2022 12.50 p.m. Symbolic Possession
	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property Bearing Southern Portion No.2 comprised in No.1/3 New BBMP Khatha No.2-1/3 Measuring East to West 40 ft. North to South 15 ft. total measuring 600 sq.ft. situated at 'G' Cross Road, Madarsab Layout, New Gurappanapalya, Bangalore, Ward No.64 and **bounded on: East by:** Private property, **West by:** 4 ft. passage and road, **North by:** Remaining portion of same property, **South by:** Private Property.			
4	46459440000410	1) Mr. R. Chand Pasha, 2) Mrs. Rajiya Begum S. H.	29.04.2022 Rs.5,00,000.00 as on 29.04.2024	26.07.2022 12.05 p.m. Symbolic Possession
	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcelofthe Property bearing No.9/1/10, PID No.9/1/10, Sl. No.6/A/7, situated at Tharabahalli Village, Nandagudi Hobali, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. **East by:** Property belongsto Shafee, **West by:** Property belongs to R. Mustaffa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Manjunath. Measuring East to West 24 ½ feet and North to South 75 feet.			

Whereas, the Borrower's/ Co-borrowers'/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby is given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore | **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 30.07.2022 | **For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
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INVITATION FOR TENDER
(Through e-procurment portal only)

BWSSB, invites Tenders from eligible contractors for the following Works

Office of the Chief Engineer (WWM)-West, 6th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-09.

Sl. No.	Division	IFT Number	Amount Put to Tender / EMD Amount	Last date & Time for submission of tender	Date & Time for opening of tender
1.	(WWM-Line) V. Valley	BWSSB/EE (WWM-Line)-V.V/PB/394/2022-23 Dt: 25/07/2022	Rs.16.50 Lakhs / Rs.41,250/-	08-08-2022 upto 5.30 p.m.	10-08-2022 at 4.00 p.m.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (WWM - Line) V. Valley.

Office of the Chief Engineer, (East), 6th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-09.

ADDENDUM

IFT No.: 1) BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/685/2022-23 Dt: 19/07/2022. 2) BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/709/2022-23 Dt: 27/07/2022.

Advertising to the Tender Notification published under TFT.(1) existing clauases and TFT. (2) modified clauases (Indendent No.7291). The other conditions remain unaltered.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (East-2).

The details regarding the tender and participation in the e-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** For further details contact the undersigned office during working hours.

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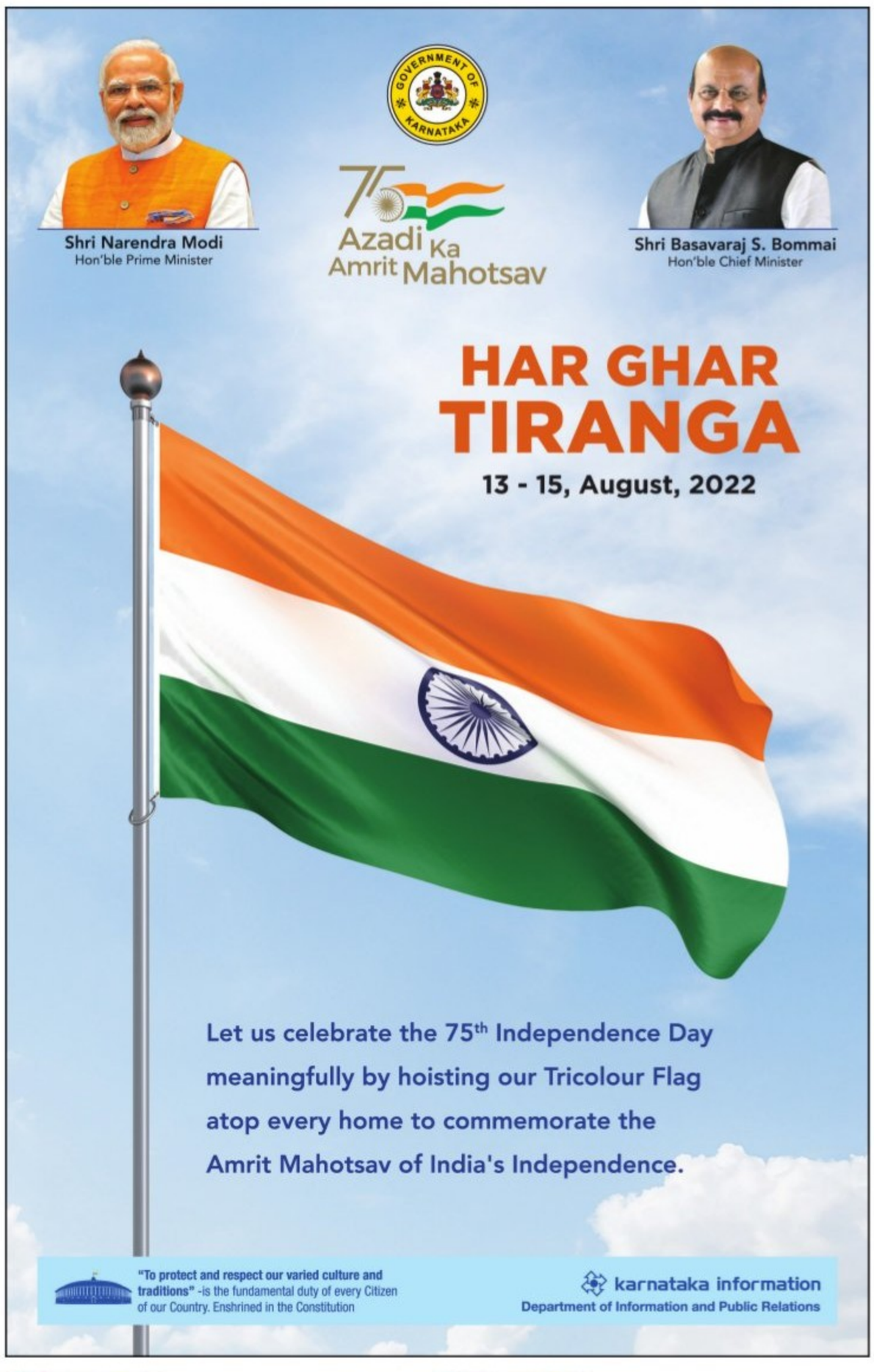
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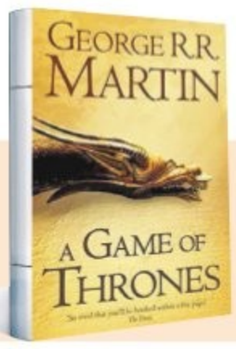

DAY'S DIARY

Book released

A Game of Thrones, the first book in the series *A Song of Ice and Fire* by George RR Martin, was first published on this day in 1996

THE AUTHOR

The American novelist and short-story writer in the fantasy, horror, and science fiction genres, a screenwriter, and TV producer is known for this international bestselling series

INTO A SERIES

The first installment of *A Song of Ice and Fire* was adapted by HBO as Game of Thrones, which debuted in 2011 and garnered numerous awards and fans

CELEBRATED AUTHOR

He became a best-selling author in 2005 with the fourth title of the series, *A Feast for Crows*, paving the way for a widely celebrated HBO series

Find the latest events taking place this week

PG 2

Avin Thaliath (@chef_avin), pastry chef and thedirector of Lavonne Academy of Baking Science And Pastry Arts, dishes out a food-related quiz in this weekly series. Be a real 'whisk' taker and let us know if you have what it bakes. Who knows, your dreams may crumb true.

GRUB HUB

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'**

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THE RIGHT ANSWERS

1) Neer dose 2) Idiyappam 3) Dhokla

FIRST 3 TO GET IT RIGHT

1) Bibina Joseph
2) Suja Vijayakumar
3) Dr K Raghavendra Pai

***Conditions apply**

GOING FOR GOLD

Making the country and city proud is paralympic swimmer Niranjan Mukundan, who is participating in the 22nd Commonwealth Games in Birmingham

MONIKA MONALISA

THE weather in Birmingham is bright and sunny, which makes it an ideal day for a good walk. But **Niranjan Mukundan**, a paralympic swimmer from Bengaluru, plans to rest in his room or focus on his practice and gym. To be fair to him, not everyone gets to represent India at a championship of such a huge scale. Mukundan is one of the 200-plus athletes from India at the 22nd Commonwealth Games.

He was also a part of the grand opening which happened at the Alexander Stadium in Birmingham on July 28. Mukundan described the emotion while marching for India at the opening ceremony as 'beautiful'. The paralympic swimmer from Bengaluru, calls the experience of people cheering for India 'surreal,' however, he is keeping all his focus on getting the gold. Sharing an anecdote from that evening, Mukundan says when India entered, they got some of the loudest cheers. "I was in the front line of the march. Our flag bearers were PV Sindhu and Manpreet Singh, the captain of the hockey team. We had most of the athletes except for the ones who had their events on Friday. A lot of people had come to cheer for Indian athletes," says Mukundan, adding that the experience felt too good to be true. The event itself was even more special for Mukundan because it was the first time he was part of an opening ceremony. Since his events this time were a little later, he didn't want to miss out on the chance of experiencing the euphoria of representing India at the opening ceremony of the event.

India getting one of the loudest cheers means that a lot of people had high hopes for the athletes taking part in the events. "You might get opportunities to represent the country, but how calm and composed you are at that stage is what matters. Of course, there is a lot of competition, I have tough competition from Australia and South Africa. There is also a lot of pressure to do well, but staying calm matters at such a huge stage," says Mukundan, whose event is on August 1.

Almost a month before the Commonwealth Games, he was in Portugal for the World Championships and had maintained a good timing. "I was carrying on that momentum to the Commonwealth Games. It is often difficult to find specialised events for paraathletes in the Commonwealth Games. So, I was very happy that this cycle of the Commonwealth Games had events in my category," says Mukundan, who has set his eyes on a gold this time.

WATCH LIST

19(1)(A) (Malayalam)

19(1)(A) is a 2002 Malayalam-language film written and directed by debutant Indhu V S. The film stars Vijay Sethupathi, Nithya Menen and Indrajith Sukumaran in important roles. The film is produced by Anto Joseph and Neeta Pinto.

Cast: Vijay Sethupathi, Nithya Menon, Indrajith Sukumaran
Watch on: Disney + Hotstar

Rocketry: The Nambi Effect (Tamil)

East Indian aerospace engineer Nambi Narayanan makes enemies due to his genius and obsession, and he faces charges of espionage.

Cast: R Madhavan, Simran, Shah Rukh Khan, Suriya
Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

Good Luck Jerry (Hindi)

Good Luck Jerry is a 2022 Hindi-language black comedy crime film directed by Sidharth Sengupta and produced by Subaskaran Allirajah, Aanand L Rai and Mahaveer Jain. The film stars Janhvi Kapoor in the lead role, alongside Deepak Dobriyal, Mita Vashisht, Neeraj Sood, and Sushant Singh in pivotal roles.

Cast: Janhvi Kapoor, Deepak Sobriyal, Sahil Mehta, Neeraj Sood
Watch on: Disney + Hotstar

Father of the Bride (English)

A father must come to grips with his daughter's upcoming wedding and handle multiple relationships within his sprawling Cuban American family.

Cast: Andy Garcia, Gloria Estefan, Adria Arjona
Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

777 Charlie (Kannada)

A naughty and energetic pup named Charlie gives a lonely and reclusive man a new perspective toward his life.

Cast: Rakshit Shetty, Sangeetha Sringeri, Raj B Shetty, Danish Sait
Watch on: Voot Select

CITY READ

Ramaiah Hospitals organise World Breastfeeding Week

By focusing on creating a sustainable, breastfeeding-friendly environment for families in the post-pandemic world, Ramaiah Hospitals is holding World Breastfeeding Day with the theme for the year being 'Set up for Breastfeeding- Educate and Support'. This is an effort to strengthen the capacity to support breastfeeding across different levels of society. From August 1–7, the Department of Pediatrics, Ramaiah Hospitals will host the first-ever World Breastfeeding Week with an opening ceremony that will take place at Ramaiah Memorial Hospital on August 1, at 10 am.

New branch of Punjab National Bank opens

The new branch of the Punjab National Bank was opened to offer banking services in Kothanur, Narayanapura on July 30. Byrathi Basavaraj, Minister for Urban Development for Karnataka, officially inaugurated the new branch of the public sector bank in the city. The inauguration saw a sizable crowd of the public, who can now avail PNB's banking services in the Kothanur locality. Bank executives and officials were present for the ceremony. This marks the opening of the 142nd branch of the bank, which has steadily grown through the years to become India's second-largest public sector bank.

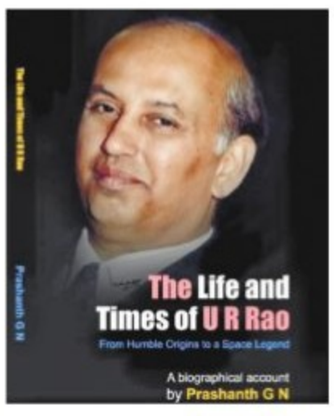
Author Prashanth G N discusses his journey while writing *The Life and Times of U R Rao*, which released recently

MADHUMITA RAJGOPAL

Science and Space

AUTHOR and content strategist **Prashanth G N** has always been interested in science and space. Writing *The Life and Times of U R Rao: From Humble Origins to a Space Legend, A Biographical Account*, a book about late space-scientist and Padma Vibhushan award winner, Udupi Ramachandra Rao also known as U R Rao, is something that really resonates with him.

The author's idea was to acquaint readers with the kind of contribution Karnataka has made towards scientific fields and space domains. While writing this biography, he focused on Rao's personality rather than theoretical facts about what he accomplished. He says, "I wanted to capture the whole personality, he was very ambitious and had great vision. When people would tell him that India is part of the six other countries that have a comprehensive space programme, he would say, 'How many times will you keep telling me we are sixth? I want to be first.'" As he began his research and interactions with the scientific fraternity from Udupi, he realised he wanted to venture more into the science space in Karnataka. "I want to show that Bengaluru knew the scientific world before it became the Silicon Valley of India," he says.



During his interactions with Rao in 2015-16, he felt his recordings should not be lost. "I wanted to narrate it to people so they know more about Professor Rao's role as a scientist and former ISRO chairman. I wanted to show people that even if you come from schools that are not in the mainstream district, you can still be an achiever," he says.

As someone who hailed from a low-economic background, Rao established himself even as a child when he got directly promoted to the fourth grade after skipping second and third. He later laid the foundation for space ventures in India. "I arranged different chapters into different themes and took about six to eight months to finish. After which, the book was reviewed by a panel that loved the anecdotal approach," says the writer.

Prashanth's interest in space and its matters started early on. "We were in the control room in Sriharikota when we saw the launch of a rocket into space. I saw the sequence of events that led to the rocket flying in the air, toward space. That is my fondest memory because I always had a deep interest in space," he says.

While reminiscing his conversations with Rao, the man behind the launch of Aryabhata, India's first satellite in 1975, Prashanth says, "He would always say, 'I never have regrets.' He inspired me to read and write more about scientists from Karnataka... he would also have a lot of conversations with all the Prime Ministers and would say, 'Prime Ministers come and go, but I stay.'"

(The book was released by K Kasturirangan, former chairman, ISRO and M Annadurai, former director of U R Rao Satellite Centre recently)

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BOOK NOOK

The Last to Vanish

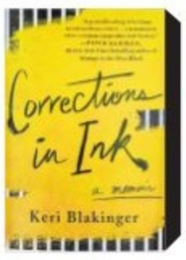
by Megan Miranda

A gripping and propulsive thriller that opens with the disappearance of a journalist who is investigating a string of vanishings in the resort town of Cutter's Pass – will its dark secrets finally be revealed?

The Librarian Spy: A Novel of World War II

by Madeline Martin

In London comes a moving new novel inspired by the true history of America's library spies of World War II.



Corrections in Ink: A Memoir

by Keri Blakinger

An electric and unforgettable memoir about a young woman's journey – from the ice rink, to addiction and a prison sentence, to the newsroom – and how she emerged with a fierce determination to expose the broken system she experienced.

If You Still Recognise Me

by Cynthia So

In a summer of repairing broken connections and building surprising new ones, Elsie realises that she isn't nearly as alone as she thought. But now she has a choice to make.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Delicious Delight

Chowman's new menu with Korean, Burmese, and Japanese dishes will have you licking your fingers. Go and relish the delicacies.

WHEN: August 1, 11.30 am
WHERE: All Chowman branches
DETAILS: chowman.net

Potterheads Unite

If you've always loved the Harry Potter books and movies, then this discussion on your favourite series is perfect for you.

WHEN: August 7, 11 am
WHERE: Lahe Lahe, Indiranagar
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Magic of Theatre

This political play called *Mukhyamantri* follows a protagonist who is intent on retaining his position in the upcoming elections.

WHEN: August 3, 7.30 pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Desserts and More

Take a tour of the Academy of Pastry and Culinary Arts and savour the most scrumptious French desserts.

WHEN: August 6, 11 am
WHERE: Academy of Pastry and Culinary Arts, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Dance It Off

This DJ event, featuring HEAT, Skeef Menezes, and more, is just what you need to end your Saturday on a high note.

WHEN: August 6, 6 pm **WHERE:** Hyatt Centric, MG Road
DETAILS: gighub.club

LOL All Night

This comedy show by Kelt Shreshth and Joteen Patro will have you laughing till your stomach hurts.

WHEN: July 31, 7 pm **WHERE:** Glen's BakeHouse, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Pick The Moves

If you are looking to unleash your dance skills and learn some cool techniques, this is the perfect spot for you. Go and pick the moves

WHEN: Aug 3, 10.30 am
WHERE: Shoonya, Lal Bagh Road.
DETAILS: allevents.in

Laugh With All Your Heart

This stand up comedy show is the perfect way to start your week with your family and friends.

WHEN: August 1, 8.30 pm
WHERE: Marcopolo, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.in

IN SYNC

The Naval Band of The Indian Navy performs on the occasion of 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' at Cubbon Park recently| NAGARAJA GADEKAL

QUICK FIX

PUFFED POHA MUESLI

By Akila Thiyagarajan, Bengaluru

INGREDIENTS

- **Puffed poha:** 4 cups ■ **Jaggery:** 1/2 cup ■ **Ghee:** 1 tsp
- **Dry mixed nuts:** 1/4 cup
- **Chopped coconut:** 1 tbsp ■ **Milk:** 1/2 cup

METHOD

- Chop the coconut into small pieces. Heat a pan, roast the nuts and keep aside.
- Dissolve jaggery in little water and add chopped coconut to it. Prepare a thick syrup.
- In a vessel, take poha and pour the syrup on top of it. Coat poha well in the syrup.
- In a bowl, take the sweetened poha, add milk, nuts and sprinkle ginger powder. Mix well and serve.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com.

FIT BIT

MAKARA DANDASANA
(DOLPHIN PLANK POSE)

This is an excellent exercise for those who wish to have strength in their arms, shoulders and reduce belly fat. It provides benefits for a number of different body parts, energizing the whole body. It is similar to Makara Adho Mukha Svanasana. It is useful for stimulating the Ajna (third eye) and the Sahasrara (crown) chakras.

STEPS

- Lie on your stomach and place your elbows under your shoulders.
- On inhalation, lift your body off the floor. Keep your gaze on the floor below your nose.
- Keep your head in a neutral position. Make sure that your pelvis is down, abdomen tight.
- Push your heels back and down. See that your body is able to support a board along its length without high or low points.
- Remain in this position for 15 to 30 seconds before releasing.
- To release, breathe in and slowly get on to the starting position. Keep both the hands alongside your body, leg straight, take a deep breath and relax.
- Do a minimum of 10 repetitions for better results.

BENEFITS

- An excellent core-building pose and full-body toning exercise.
- Strengthens back muscles and gives flexibility.
- Increases bone density.
- Relieves mental and physical stress.
- Tones abdominal organs and strengthens the legs and arms.
- Helps to relieve back pain effectively and stabilises your hamstrings.
- Great way to get relief from your menstrual discomfort.
- Lengthens the spine as well as it strengthens the lower back muscles..
- Improves posture and blood circulation. Increases stamina.
- Improves the digestive system.
- Gives relief from headaches, backache and fatigue

LIMITATIONS

If you suffer from lower back pain, high BP or a neck injury, avoid this.

Women should avoid this during menstruation.

People suffering from recurring/recent issues or injuries in wrists, back or shoulders should avoid this.

By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

NIGHT DRIVE (Malayalam)

Out for a harmless night drive, a loving young couple runs into unexpected trouble that may cost them both their lives.

Cast: Anna Ben, Roshan Mathew,Indrajith
Watch on: Netflix

MERSAL (Tamil)

A detective arrests a doctor for crimes targeting medical professionals but later finds the real culprit in a tale of revenge, corruption and magic.

Cast: Vijay, SJ Surya, Kajal Aggarwal
Watch on: Netflix

BADHAII DO (Hindi)

A gay cop and a lesbian teacher enter a sham marriage to pacify their families but find that relationships – both real and fake – aren't all that easy.

Cast: Rajkummar Rao, Bhumi Pednekar, Seema Pahwa
Watch on: Netflix

DELHI CRIME (Hindi, series)

As Delhi reels in the aftermath of a gang rape, DCP Vartika Chaturvedi leads a painstaking search for the culprits. Based on the 2012 Nirbhaya case.

Cast: Shefali Shah, Rajesh Tailang, Rasika Dugal
Watch on: Netflix

KUTTAVUM SHIKSHAYUM (Malayalam)

In this story based on true events, a probe into a jewelry theft leads a police inspector and his team on a treacherous nationwide hunt for the culprits.

Cast:

Asif Ali, Sunny Wayne, Alencier Ley Lopez
Watch on:

Netflix

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

83 (Hindi)

Amid doubt and derision, indomitable captain Kapil Dev leads India's struggling cricket team to make history at the 1983 World Cup. Based on true events.

Cast: Ranveer Singh, Deepika Padukone, Pankaj Tripathi
Watch on: Netflix

KOTA FACTORY (Hindi)

In a city of coaching centers known to train India's finest collegiate minds, an earnest but unexceptional student and his friends navigate campus life.

Cast: Mayur More, Jitendra Kumar, Ranjan Raj
Watch on: Netflix

FOREIGN

CAPERNAUM (Arabic)

Emotionally scarred and hardened by life on the Beirut streets, a 12-year-old boy sues his negligent parents for bringing him into a life of misery.

Cast: Zain Al Rafeea, Yordanos Shiferaw, Boluwatife Treasure Bankole **Watch on:** netflix

CITY OF GOD (Portuguese)

Two boys growing up in this violent neighbourhood take different paths. The narrator, Rocket, a poor black kid too frail and scared to become an outlaw but also too smart to be content with an underpaid job, becomes a professional photographer. Then there is Lil Dice, a kid the same age who already dreams of being Rio de Janeiro's most dangerous criminal. Before long, he will be.

Cast : Alexandre Rodrigues, Leandor Firmino Da Hora, Matheus Nachtergaele
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TERROR IN PARADISE (English)

Why were terrorists targeting holiday spots in south Mediterranean area? From Tunisia to Istanbul, the attacks were so bloody and fear-inducing, it lingered in the minds of locals & tourists alike. These regions have already seen internal conflicts in the past & rely heavily on tourism for their economy. What will be the future of these countries?

Cast: Gary Lockwood, Joana Pettet, David Anthony Smith
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DEMOLITION (English)

Davis, a banker, struggles to cope with his wife's death. However, he begins interacting with a customer service representative and her troubled teenage son, who help him turn his life around

Cast: Jake Gyllenhaal, Naomi Watts, Chris Cooper
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THE CAT GAME EVERYONE'S TALKING ABOUT

@quofles

(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)

The crossover between the gamers and the cat-video Internet has made 'Stray' incredibly popular in the last week. And this makes me so happy. It is a sweet, tiny, beginner-friendly game where we play as a nimble cat, the only being that can save the world. I hope that there is a sequel. I want more of this.

Stray starts with a cat nuzzling friends in what looks like a post-apocalyptic world. Overgrown greens cover an endless mass of sewer pipes. We are inducted into learning the soft, but accurate jumping skills of a cat, and we deftly pounce across the map with the click of a button. However, misfortune befalls the cat as we jump into a hole that leads into a city filled with humanoid robots. Cat manages to secure a backpack that contains 'B12', a tiny flying droid, which now becomes our window into the wider story of Stray.

The game introduces us to the world of the humanoid robots, who are initially very scared of the cat. The cat reminds them of 'Zurks', the main enemy in the game: they look cute but are a lethal parasitic infestation that eats everything, even metal. We learn that the droids are walled away from 'the Outside', a mythical concept discussing the existence of a sky and a universe with humans in it. There are no humans here, and the droids collectively honour human memory by mimicking human habits and behaviour. We learn all this through B12; the cat does little talking because it's a cat. But as the cat, we somehow understand what needs to be done. And as an agile and stealthy animal, only we can make it happen. We need to find a way to get to the Outside.

Stray primarily involves a complex form of traversal. There are hurdles and puzzles, which require straightforward environmental manipulation before we move ahead. This is a source of light-heartedness in the game, because puzzle solving involves the cat knocking over neatly stacked books, hiding inside boxes, luring sentinel droids to their doom, and meow-ing at unsuspecting robots. And if this is much too tiring, the game has several napping spots for the cat. It's sad that this is all over in 7 hours. The game is currently available to play on the PC and the PlayStation. I rate Stray a whole nine-lives out of nine, for comforting gameplay in a solitary universe.

Somnath Mukherjee

TWIN CITIES

Writer, actor and funny girl

KASA-KAY Bengaluru! There is a certain aching familiarity whenever I spend time in my 'other' home, Mumbai. Maybe because there are so many memories associated with the place. Though there has been a big redevelopment surge in Mumbai, some haunts just don't change. I was quite chuffed to see a major player, a big real estate tycoon and builder from namma ooru also in the fray. His name was prominently displayed and many curious onlookers stopped to stare at the massive billboards of this new entrant who dared to enter the ring. I think it's terrific! For years now, more 'pushy and savvy opportunity seekers have flooded into our placid city of Bengaluru seeking newer pastures, and left an indelible mark on the diaspora of our city. It is high time for the other parts of our country to wake up and smell our (filter) coffee too!

I was secure in the belief that the Mumbai skyline only grew upwards, perhaps with a couple of new bridges spanning the massive Arabian Sea, but now I don't know. Familiar haunts are been demolished, old tree lined roads are disappearing and everything looks changed and unfamiliar. I own a home in Bandra, the queen of the 'burbs' and even I got a little confused when I needed to reach Hakka-San, my favourite Chinese restaurant to meet with my recently re-located from Bengaluru friend, Sunaina Chauhan. The warm hug and the non-stop chatter remained unchanged. She may have changed cities but one can never take 'the Bengaluru' out of this girl. We had a long 'Bangalore ishstyle' lunch and spoke about everything under the sun. Not only her, but her son too misses his friends and they literally made a flying visit into our city to 'catch-up'! That's the type of spell our city casts on even its temporary inhabitants.

Sunaina Chauhan

I was having a lively discussion with my son-in-law who is a young VP in a hot-shot bank and a recent graduate from the prestigious ISB cadre. He and my equally successful daughter moved to Mumbai a couple of years ago and love it here! They felt while they were academically equipped, they lacked the life-skills and that certain je-ne-sais-quoi being Bengalureans. It is a much protected environment which lacks the tools to give one that cutting-edge sharpness. Nothing wrong with that, but in a competitive atmosphere one cannot only be book smart. I see a lot of my friends' children who have naturally migrated to Mumbai to pursue alternative and different career paths.

It gladdens my heart to see prominent Bengalureans doing well in this city. The Taj Lands End is a beautiful property that lies on the tip of sea shore against a back-drop of a cliff that holds an old fort. Mumbai is like that, full of historical sites because it was always an important trading port. So, it was with sheer joy that I met up with my friend Somnath Mukherjee, who has taken over as senior VP (West) in the sprawling hotel that holds so many fabulous memories for us. After a bespoke Chinese meal at their glorious sea facing restaurant, Ming-Yang we wound our way home, with the warm hospitality still enveloping us…

Maybe Bombay and Bangalore aren't that different after all…

(The writer is an artist and curator, passionate about making art accessible to the larger public)

Making public the private spectrum of art

Festival mode it is, in this part of the country. Checkered bus shelters and bridges have sprung up randomly, like the wild mushrooms that pop up after the rains. People are heading to these spots in droves, with multi-coloured ideas for photo sessions on black and white squares. If you think this is another discussion about Smart City projects, let me assure you that this is something grander — the 44th Chess Olympiad has arrived on our shores! We even have our own official mascot, an endearing brown horse aptly named Thambi.

As much as the game may fare very poorly on the popularity chart, when compared to mass entertainers such as cricket and football, or may never have us following the Olympics ritual of checking our medal tally every morning, in the hope that there would be a leap in the numbers, yet, we have always swelled with national pride everytime a Grandmaster emerged from our midst. Now, with all the publicity tactics undertaken by the government, detachment to the game has been rendered impossible. Every citizen of the state has been included in the festivities, giving a sense of belonging to all.

And so it is, with many such international events from across spectrums that have been brought to our land from beyond oceans. Packaged and promoted cleverly, they have always managed to metamorphose into grounds for regional celebrations. Sadly, the field of art has remained untouched by these magnificent schemes. No benevolence has ever been showered on the much neglected arena of art. No state funds too have ever been allocated towards showcasing art from around the world along with the finest our country has to offer. Most art fairs and biennales have primarily been private ventures. There are a few exceptions though, like the Kochi Biennale for instance, which are supported by the government.

Picture myriad-hued flyovers, colourful pavements vying for your attention, while public pillars announce the arrival of sculptural forms for eyes used to plain columns of concrete. Imagine these, dotting the streets of our cities, cheerfully declaring an approaching international art exhibition, and providing selfie opportunities for all you hungry social media patrons, thirsting for not-seen-before unique backgrounds for that perfect shot. Planned and executed flawlessly, it could very well turn into the most awe-inspiring spectacle that the common man has ever experienced. For what better example than art, can be found, of how limitless are the possibilities of imaginative thinking.

Spectacular extravaganzas need government initiative or atleast funding. Art and culture have always been the founding stones of any civilisation and it is not only of utmost importance, but also an essential necessity that all governments attempt to preserve it, as well as constantly bring art into the realm of the general public. Art may have no championships to entice huge investments. No mascots or World Federations to voice its existence. Invite it nevertheless, to our horizons. Watch it enrich the poverty of our souls. Gift us, the inhabitants of this beautiful territory, the joy of celebrating the finest creations in this world.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **HARIHARA SUBRAMONI S/o RANGANATHA IYER** R/at No. 3192, Maple, Shobha Forest View, Off Kanakapura Main Road, Vajarahalli, Thalaghattapura, Bengaluru -560062, Karnataka, India have changed my name to **HARIHARA SUBRAMONI RANGANATHA** vide affidavit dated: 30/7/2022 Before Notary **K .V Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
WE, **VINAY KUMAR JAIN** & **TINA JAIN,** Parents of **VIDUSHI** Agd 12Yrs, R/at MC 702 Golden Grand Apts, Yswntpur, Blr- 22, HV Changed Her Name as **VIDUSHI JAIN** Vide affidavit Dt: 29-7-22 Sworn To Notary **Sakalesh** Blr.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, the undersigned **LAVANYA BHUVAN,** (New Name) previously called **POGUTURU LAVANYA, PAGUTURI LAVANYA, LAVANYA SATHYANARAYANA, LAVANYA** (Old Name), aged about 27 years, W/o. Mr. Bhuvan Lakshminarayana, resident of No. 115, Bhavani Nilayam, New Police Station Road, K.R. Puram, Bangalore – 560036, Karnataka State, India, do hereby solemnly declare and state that I have changed my name from **POGUTURU LAVANYA, PAGUTURI LAVANYA, LAVANYA SATHYANARAYANA, LAVANYA** to **LAVANYA BHUVAN** by swearing to an affidavit in front of Notary public **Mr. K.B.Sadha Shivappa** on 29.07.2022 for all purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SUSHMITHA SIMON KADIMELLA,** aged about 29 years, R/at No. 36, 2nd Cross, Anandapuram, New Thippasandara, Bangalore-75, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SUSHMITHA KADIMELLA** to **SUSHMITHA SIMON KADIMELLA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUSHMITHA SIMON KADIMELLA** only, vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **S. SAMUEL SOLOMON** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, DHANASING N LAMANI have changed my name from **DHANASING LAMANI** to **DHANASING N LAMANI** vide affidavit sworn before Notary **C V EARAPPA, Bangalore, Dated 29.07.2022**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Vishnu Vundavalli, aged about 18 years, son of Mr. Suriraju, residing at No. 67, Serpentine Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru- 560020 have changed my name from Vishnu Suriraju Vundavalli to Vishnu Vundavalli vide affidavit Dated 27/07/2022 sworn before Advocate & Notary V.Rangaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,**(OLD NAME) D. SANDHIYA PRIYA** spouse of NO JC-310099N NB/SUB RAGUPATHY.M.S, Residing at 4th Main, 2nd Cross, Kuvempunagar, Dasarahalli, Bangarpet, KOLAR (Dist), KARNATAKA (State), Pin:563114, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SANDIYA PRIYA.D** And DOB from **13.09.1983** to **11.09.1985** Vide Affidavit Dated 29.07.2022 Sworn Before Notary L.GOPALAKRISHNA BANGALORE.

DOCUMENTS LOST
I, **KASHISH JAIN,** D/o Sanjay Kumar Jain, aged about 22 years, R/at Flat No. 23, Nalanda, Palace Garden Apartment, 23 & 24 Palace Cross Road, Bengaluru-560020, do hereby inform to the general public that I had completed my X std at Baldwin Girls' High School, Bengaluru in the year 2014-15 and lost my original X Std. Statement of Marks, Certificate of Migration and Pass Certificate vide Unique ID 5926439, while I was shifting my house on 15-07-2022. Inspite of best efforts, I could not trace out the same, in this regard I have Lodged the complaint before the Jurisdictional Police Station and obtained the Acknowledgement vide lost report No. 0274946/2022 dated: 22-07-2022. If anybody finds the above said document, please handover the same to the above said address.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VEENA PRADEEP** Resident of No.117, Niranjanam, 4th Cross, D Krishnappa Layout, N Nagenahalli, K Narayanapura , Bangalore- 560077, have changed my Son's Name from **PRANAV P** to **PRANAV NAIR** vide affidavit Dated: 30/7/2022 Before Notary **N Peruvazhuthi** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, GURUDUTT RUSTOGI, and MEENAKSHI RUSTAGI, Residing at No.9 (14/15)Prakruthi, 1st Floor, 13th Main, Padmanabhanagar, Behind 15A Last Bus Stop, BSK IInd Stage, Bengaluru-560070, declare that we have changed the name of our Minor Daughter from SIA RUSTOGI (Old Name) to PAAVANI RUSTOGI (New Name), henceforth our Daughter shall be known and called as PAAVANI RUSTOGI (New Name) only for allpurpose, vide Affidavit dated: 30/07/2022 before Notary MOHAMMED HUSSAIN K, at BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PAVITHRAA GAYATHRI,** D/o Late Ramesh Babu Ramamurthy, aged 19 years, R/at No. 104, Anugraha Enclave, 21st Cross, 2nd A Main, Vignan Nagar, Bengaluru-560075, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PAVITHRAA** to **PAVITHRAA GAYATHRI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PAVITHRAA GAYATHRI** only, vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022, sworn before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SRINIVASA .R,** R/at #110, 3rd Cross, Gandhi Grama, Bengaluru North, Benson Town, Bengaluru-560046, declare that both names **SRINIVASA .R** & **SRINIVAS** refers to me alone and in future for all purposes I may be called, known and distinguished by the name SRINIVASA .R, vide affidavit dated 12-07-2022, before Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Madhumathi M Somayaji aged about 41 years, W/O Madhava C Somayaji, Residing at No.5, Vaatsalya 1st Cross, Subbanna Garden, VTC, Vijayanagar, Vijayanagar Po: Bangalore 560040, declared that the names MADHUMATHI KARANTH M.L and MADHUMATHI M SOMAYAJI belongs to me only, and both name belongs to one and the same person. Vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022 sworn before Advocate and notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KEDAAR KARAMALKAR,** S/o, Maruti Karamalkar, aged 38 years, Residing at, No.2, 4th Cross, Hoysala Street, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru-560016, Karnataka, have changed my name to **KEDAR KARAMALKAR,** vide affidavit dated: 29-07-2022, sworn before Notary, A.M. Rajasekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO 15321397W HAV BIJU .R of unit : 325 FD PK COY 8 ENGR REGT, C/O 99 APO, PIN: 914008, Have Changed My Father Name **(OLD NAME), RAVENDRAN PILLA** to **(NEW NAME) RAVEENDRAN PILLAI** And Mother **(OLD NAME) INDIRA** to **(NEW NAME) INDIRABAIAMMA** Vide Affidavit Dated 30.07.2022 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **DASARI SHILPA,** previously called **BONENI SHILPA,** W/o Boneni Sreeharsha Yadav, residing at No.26/860. Rajiv Public School, Bangaraiahkotta, Prodduturu, YSR Dist, Andhra Pradesh-516360. I state that, in my husband Passport bearing No. Z2456904 my name mentioned as **BONENI SHILPA.** Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'BONENI SHILPA'** to **"DASARI SHILPA"** vide Affidavit dated 30.07.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary G. Dayananda, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RASHMI** D/o **Prashanth. A.B,** R/at No. 183, 13th Block, 3rd Cross, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560072 have changed my name to **RASHMI PRASHANTH ATTAD** vide affidavit dated: 30/7/2022 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, YALLAPPA BASANAL, S/o. Shrimanth Basanal, aged about 35 years, S/o. Sri Shrimant Basanal No.126, 2nd Cross, Gurusourvahama Nagar, Nayandahalli, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-560 003, Have changed my name from **YALLAPPA BASANAL** to **VIJAYASURYA SHRIMANT BASANAL**, vide affidavit dated 30/7/2022 Sworn before K.V.Bachi Reddy, Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GAYATHRI KONDALROYAL,** W/o Late Ramesh Babu Ramamurthy, aged 41 years, R/at No. 104, Anugraha Enclave, 21st Cross, 2nd A Main, Vignan Nagar, Bengaluru-560075, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **GAYATHRI** to **GAYATHRI KONDALROYAL,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **GAYATHRI KONDALROYAL** only, vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022, sworn before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SRIMATH PARAMAHAMSA PARIVRAJAKACHARYA SRI SRI SRI YOGISHWARA SWAMI,** R/at #405, Sumo Krupa, Temple View Apartment, Subramanyapura Main Road, Gubbalala, Bengaluru-560061, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **ESHA PRATHEEP** to **ESHA YOGI,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **ESHA YOGI** only, vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Arundathi A Rao aged about 49 years, W/O Ashith Sadashiva Rao, Residing at No.673/A Sandeep 12th Cross, 7th Block, near K R Road Shastrys Bakery, Jayanagar 7th Block Bangalore South Udaypura, Bangalore 560082 declared that the names ARUNA A RAO and ARUNDATHI A RAO belongs to me only, and both name belongs to one and the same person. Vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022 sworn before Advocate and notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru**

AFFIDAVIT
I, **DRUSHYA DECHAMMA,** D/o Narayanaswamy.B, Aged about 23 years, Residing at No.87, 1st Cross, Kamath Layout, Chennanayakanapalya, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560073, i state that in my PAN Card No. FUFPD2977B my name is wrongly mentioned as DRUSHYA DECHAMMA.H.P. And my father is wrongly entered as PRAKASH HAJAMARA APPAJI, i hereby declare that my correct name is **DRUSHYA DECHAMMA,** and my father name is **NARAYANASWAMY.B,** vide affidavit dated 30.07.2022 sworn before notary D.S.Sathyanarayana, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO 16115254M HAV MAHESH JODATTI of unit: CIMT, DEPOT BN, MEG & CENTRE, BANGALORE 560042, Have Changed My Son Name **(OLD NAME) CHANDAN** to **(NEW NAME) CHANDAN MAHESH JODATTI** Vide Affidavit Dated 30.07.2022 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHREEKA SANTOSHKUMAR HUNAGUND**, previously called **SHREEKA HUNAGUND,** D/o Santoshkumar Mallikarjunappa Hunagund and Sheetal S Hunagund, resident of No. MF 8/5, MIG Block, Circular Road, No.4, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru-560096. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'SHREEKA HUNAGUND'** to **'SHREEKA SANTOSHKUMAR HUNAGUND'** vide Affidavit dated 29.07.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary public D.G. Shanthappa, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHEERIN TAJ** W/o **SYED NIYAZ PASHA** R/at No.3, 12th Street Broadway Road Cross, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru-560005 Passport No. M5614841 have changed my name to **SHIREEN TAJ** vide affidavit dated: 30/7/2022 before Notary **A.Idinabba** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **EKKTAH AHUJA** (New Name), aged 38 years, Daughter of SRICHAND AHUJA, Residing at FLAT NO.C-3, 3RD FLOOR, SWAPNA MANOR, 5TH CROSS, DINNNUR ROAD, EX-SERVICEMEN COLONY, BENGALURU NORTH, BENGALURU-560032, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **EKTA.S.AHUJA** (Old Name) to **EKKTAH AHUJA** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called **EKKTAH AHUJA** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 29/07/2022 before Notary **N.KANCHIVARADARAJU** at BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RENIBI LEPCHA,** aged about 22 years, D/o Binod Mukhia, R/at #22, Gullappa Road, Ramesh Kumar Road, Lingarajapuram, Aravind Nagar, Bengaluru-560033, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RENIBI MUKHIA** to **RENIBI LEPCHA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **RENIBI LEPCHA** only, vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, BINODINI JENA have changed my name from **BINODINI DEI** to **BINODINI JENA** vide affidavit sworn before Notary **C V EARAPPA, Bangalore, Dated 29.07.2022**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, BALASUBRAMANIAN. R, aged about 60 years, S/o. Late Rudhubalan, residing at No. 40, 10th A Cross, 5th Main, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Bangalore-560079, declared that the names BALASUBRAMANIAN. R and RUDHU BALAN SUBRAMANIYAM belongs to me only, and both name belongs to one and the same person. Vide affidavit dated 30-07-2022 sworn before Advocate and notary H.S. Sakalesh Aradhya, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I,SERVICE NO 16122240P NK M. DILIPKUMAR of unit: 62 FD COY, 8 ENGR REGT, C/O 99 APO, PIN: 914008, Have Changed My FATHER **(OLD Name) D. MUNUSAMY** to **(NEW NAME) D. MUNISAMY** And Mother **(OLD NAME) K. MATHESWARI** to **(NEW NAME) MADHESWARI** Vide Affidavit Dated 25.07.2022 Sworn Before Notary S.I. BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME)** K. VIJAYA LAKSHMI spouse of NO 15332647M L/NK KARRE OBULREDDY Residing # 2-85, Thalla Palli (Vill), Chinthaparthy (GM), P.C. Palli (PO), Vayalpad (MD), Chittoor (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 517277, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) KARRE VIJAYA LAKSHMI** Vide Affidavit Dated 30.07.2022 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MOHAMEED ROSHAN ZAMEER Residing at No. 935, 1st Stage, 3rd Block, 12th Cross, HBR Layout, Bangalore - 560043. Have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MOHAMEED ROSHAN ZAMEER** to **(NEW NAME) MOHAMMED ROSHAN ZAMEER** vide Affidavit Dated 30.07.2022 Sworn before Notary M. RAJENDRA, Bangalore.

Pawan Kumar

'I CAN'T SAY NO TO YOGARAJ BHAT'

Pawan Kumar talks about his experience as an actor in Yogaraj Bhat's *Gaalipata 2*

A SHARADHAA

PAWAN Kumar is the new romantic hero in town, especially after the launch of the song, Neenu Bagehariyada, from Yogaraj Bhat's *Gaalipata 2*. Apart from the character teaser, the fascinating love track, featuring himself and Sharmiela Mandre, has music by Arjun Janya and lyrics by Jayanth Kaikini. However, Pawan Kumar, tongue-in-cheek remarks that the timing of the song is simply wrong, and says, "My daughter just asked me, 'Why are there so many women in your life', and I didn't know where to begin."

The romantic drama starring Pawan Kumar as Master Bhushan, has him sharing screen space with Ganesh, Diganth Manchale, Anant Nag, Vaibhavi Shandilya, Samyuktha Menon, and Nishvika Naidu. "Everybody who knows me well have been saying that finally, I am getting to play myself on screen," says Pawan when asked about *Gaalipata 2* tapping into his romantic side. "Shooting for the song was an experience in itself because it was something I have never done in front of so many people. Sharmiela became a good friend, and our on-screen chemistry worked well. It was a very known set and it was easy to do, and overall, the song has come out better than we expected," he says.

Pawan says that as a director, he was dealing with a lot of other things, and it ensured people didn't really know this side of him. "As an actor, I believe that we should do something completely different than what people regularly think. That's where the whole fun lies," he adds.

Is director Pawan trying to establish his acting chops in front of the camera now? "Yogaraj Bhat and I have worked together before, and I can't really say 'No' to him. I also knew that his films will be fun to do. So I didn't think too much. I was in a place where I could give time to this project. So when Yogaraj Bhat called and discussed the role, I went ahead. Luckily I'm not in the lead actor zone, and there was no pressure of being in and acting in a certain way. All that I had to make sure of was to keep up with the scene and entertain."

A still from *Gaalipata 2*

Pawan chose *Gaalipata 2* in 2018, way before the pandemic. "The title, which got confirmed after I entered the sets, created pressure because it was a big franchise. *Gaalipata 2* had the big pillars coming together, and I was an addition. The film has taken its own time but in a good way," says Pawan.

Even though Pawan has replaced Rajesh Krishnan from the original, the latter still has a strong connection with the audience. "*Gaalipata* being a benchmark film, and people will definitely start comparing. There is no connection between the first and second parts of *Gaalipata*, other than the theme. Otherwise, it is completely a new story, with a different characterisation. So the audience should look at it as an individual film."

Did Pawan Kumar limit himself to be just an actor, or did the director in him come out at times? "Yogaraj Bhat chose me because the character demanded a person like me. He knew I would come with no inhibitions, and I could play the role with ease. Coming from Bhatru, I could educate myself on newer things. There were times when I was negative about shooting during the pandemic, but his planning became learning to me," he says, adding, "I think very differently, and this is a typical Yogaraj film. As a director, there are some things I could not connect with, but as an actor, I could. I try to look at it as a completely new experience. I was happy to shut my director's self off on the sets of this film. I was very happy to just perform to the director's vision, and let it go."

Is Pawan Kumar shifting focus from direction? "No. Acting is something I will take up only if I enjoy the role. If I have to take my skills forward, there should be some meaning. I want to be part of some good roles, and also play cameos when they come uop," he signs off.

SS RAJAMOULI APPRECIATES KICHCHA SUDEEP'S LATEST RELEASE, *VIKRANT RONA*

A still from *Vikrant Rona*

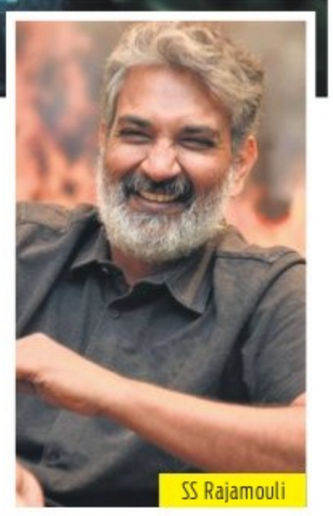
CE FEATURES

KICHCHA Sudeep's multilingual film, *Vikrant Rona,* which was released on July 28 has not only had a good opening across India but also been receiving plaudits from celebrities. The latest to join that list of celebs is *RRR* director SS Rajamouli.

Congratulating Sudeep for the success, Rajamouli tweeted, "Congratulations Sudeep on the success of Vikrant Rona. It takes guts and belief to invest in such a line. You did and it paid off. Pre climax, the heart of the film was superb. Couldn't see that coming and it was too good. Special mention to Guddy's friend Bhaskar."

Director Rajamouli and Sudeep first worked with each other in Eega, and the actor also played a pivotal role in the 2015 hit film, *Baahubali: The Beginning*. Meanwhile, the film, which set the cash registers ringing at the worldwide box office, is likely to touch the 100 crores gross mark within 4 days of its release.

According to the production house, *Vikrant Rona* in 3D has been garnering a lot of attraction, and is running to packed houses. The Anup Bhandari directorial, backed by Manjunath Gowda under Shalini Artss, also stars Nirup Bhandari, Neetha Ashok, and Jacqueline Fernandes in the cast


SS Rajamouli

BHAVANA MENON PLAYS TWINS IN *PINK NOTE*

This Rakshan directorial is set to be a woman-centric film

Bhavana Menon

CE FEATURES

BHAVANA Menon, who was last seen in Shivarajkumar's *Bhajrangi 2*, has taken up her next Kannada project. The actor is part of a female-centric subject, titled *Pink Note*, which will be directed by Rakshan (previously known as Rudresh). With two schedules already completed, the latest update from the film is that Bhavana will be playing twins in *Pink Note*.

The film explores the life of women, who are lured with an overseas job and later fall prey and end up in the wrong hands. "The film will have Bhavana in shades of a bold girl and a homely woman," says Rakshan, who shared the first few stills with *CE*.

Meanwhile, the makers have finalised Prem (*Nenapirali*) to play a pivotal role in the film, and he is said to be joining the sets in the Dubai schedule that will be held next month. The cast also includes Giri, and Munni, who will be playing important characters.

Rakshan marked his debut with *Hai*, which was composed mostly of newcomers. The director's film with Diganth has been stalled for reasons unknown, and he is now moved on with *Pink Note*.

The film, produced by H Anandappa, and cinematography by Selvam, has music by Jassie Gift, and has Nagendra Prasad writing lyrics to four of the songs.

Parineeti Chopra and Akshay Kumar

Parineeti joins Akshay's film based on real-life incidents

CE FEATURES

HINDI actor Parineeti Chopra will be playing the female lead in the upcoming Akshay Kumar-starrer film that is yet to be titled. The film is expected to be based on a real-life person and courage demonstrated by him during a rescue operation at a coal mine. It is to be noted that the actor are reuniting for a film after the 2019 film Kesari.

"We are back. This time the *Kesari* duo may be shooting in York, but the laughs, jokes, games and Punjabi gupshup is the same," Parineeti tweeted while sharing a photo of herself along with Akshay.

The upcoming film is based on chief mining engineer Jaswant Gill who was responsible for rescuing miners who were trapped in coal mine. Directed by Tinu Suresh Desai, is produced by Pooja Entertainment.

Prem

Rakshan

Martin Scorsese and Leonardo to reunite for *The Wager*

CE FEATURES

AFTER wrapping up Apple TV+'s Killers of the Flower Moon, Martin Scorsese and Leonardo DiCaprio are set to team up once again. The actor-director duo is reuniting for *The Wager*, another Apple digital film. It is the adaptation of the upcoming David Grann non-fiction book, *The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck*, Mutiny, and Murder.

Set in the 1740s, Wager's story is set in motion when a patched-together boat with 30 emaciated men lands on the coast of Brazil. The men were the surviving crew of the British naval ship, HMS Wager, which was chasing a Spanish vessel and had crashed onto a desolate island in South America's Patagonia region. Six months later, however, another vessel, even more beat up than the first, ended up off the coast of Chile, this one with three men. These new sailors accused the other men of being mutineers. As accusations and counter-charges flew, the British Admiralty set a special trial in motion to uncover the truth of what exactly happened on the island, exposing a story of not just a captain and crew struggling to survive while battling some of the most extreme elements on the planet, but also fighting against their own human natures.

Leonardo DiCaprio and Martin Scorsese

Martin Scorsese and Leonardo DiCaprio's Killers of the Flower Moon is also an adaptation of David Grann's work. The best-selling novel Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI is set in 1920s Oklahoma and chronicles the serial murder of members of the oil-wealthy Osage Nation. Robert De Niro, Jesse Plemons, Lily Gladstone, and Brendan Fraser also star in the film, which will premiere sometime in 2023.

Francesca Reale

Francesca, Jake and Adeline join *Creepers*

CE FEATURES

SUPERTONE Pictures and Lionsgate have announced the cast for the upcoming horror film, *Creepers*. The film is expected to begin production in Bulgaria this week. *Creepers* follows a group of people who explore abandoned urban areas for fun. Sadly, their new location, a long-emptied and boarded-up hotel, turns out to be more dangerous than they previously thought. A supernatural spirit hunts down the invaders.

Jake Manley (Midway, Holidate Infamous) is expected to star as Rick, the official leader of the Creepers. Adeline Rudolph (*Chilling Adventures of Sabrina*) will play Diane, another leader of the *Creepers*, and Rick's rebellious girlfriend. Francesca Reale (*Stranger Things*) stars as Cora, a parkour expert. Laurence O'Faurain (*Game of Thrones, Vikings*) will play Balenger, a mysterious and powerful stranger with a secret.

Jake Manley

Adeline Rudolph

BEGIN YOUR EXPLORATION

You love exploring new technologies and are interested in the technical and scientific aspects of things? Then studying Engineering at university is the right path for you. Almost everything we depend on in our daily lives was created by engineers: roads, railways, computers, smart phones, the energy that powers buildings, medical equipment used in hospitals etc. Engineers solve major problems and come up with safer, quicker and more cost-effective methods of doing things. So you've decided that you want to study Engineering. But that's a vast academic field with many possible specialisations. It might not be easy to choose from all those options. Here is a detailed rundown on the various engineering subjects, to help you decide which one fits you best. *(Courtesy: https://www.study.eu)*

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Mechanical Engineering

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If you want to work at the intersection of Business Administration and Production or Engineering, a degree in Industrial Management is the right choice for you. Working in the field of industrial management means improving efficiency in businesses and can include analyzing, planning logistics and costs for a business; supervising engineers; analyzing data; and coordinating production processes. Similar to Industrial & Systems Engineering, Industrial Management degrees usually have a stronger focus on all business-related questions.

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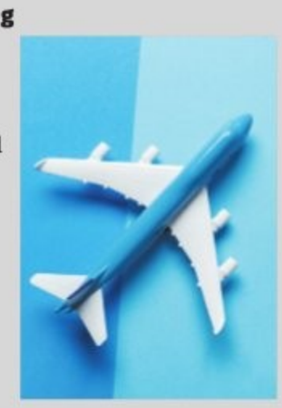

Bioengineering & Biotechnology

A degree in Biotech or Bioengineering lays out a future-proof career path for you. Biotechnology experts come up with quicker and better solutions to vital problems in medical practice and bio-renewable energy to enhance the life and welfare of humans. Studying Bioengineering or Biotechnology is the right choice for you if you are interested in medicine, biology, and how those disciplines relate to technology and engineering.

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NIE is a grant-in-aid institution and approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi. The institution got autonomous status from Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi in 2007. It has been accredited by NAAC. Four Undergraduate Programmes – Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electronics & Communication Engineering and Industrial & Production Engineering and one PG Programme – Structural Engineering have been accredited by the National Board of Accreditation, New Delhi, under Tier-I.

It is one of the 14 colleges in Karnataka that has been recognised under MHRD-World Bank sponsored Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) in all the three phases. All the Departments of NIE are recognised as Research Centres under VTU and AICTE for QIP. Currently, NIE offers 7 UG and 12 PG Programmes.

To enrich research and consultancy activities, 14 Centres of Excellence have been set up in collaboration with industries and alumni. Many funded research projects of Central and State Governments, VTU and overseas universities are presently being carried out at NIE. Three patents have been granted to NIE recently.

Research @ NIE

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The institution has adopted a trans-disciplinary research approach that brings together research brains from diverse fields, stitching together fundamental discoveries with practical applications.

Objectives of Research @ NIE

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The college is under the able leadership of Dr. B. Sadashive Gowda, PhD (IISc) as Principal.

Training & Placement @ VVCE

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VVCE has successfully managed to bring in 800+ offers for the current final year batch (2022 Batch) in the TOP happening companies around the world, such as Informatica with an offer of 10.5 LPA, Byju's 10 LPA, Eurofins 9.5 LPA, Hashdin 8 LPA, Exinous Technologies 7.2 LPA.

Mass recruiters for the year included Cognizant, Happiest Minds, Wipro, TCS, Mu Sigma, Infosys, IBM, Spurtree, In Time tec, Tecnotree, etc. Most of the students are offered with internship opportunities in their respective placed companies.

Placement training

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*Qualifying rank in PGCET/GATE

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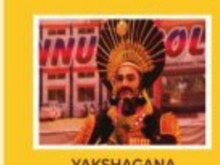

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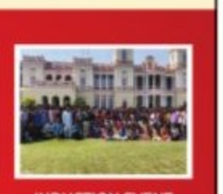

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KRISHNA S – II Year - SGPA 9.0

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MUSE: GUIDING YOUNG MINDS TO THE FUTURISTIC WORLD OF TECHNOLOGY

Mysore University School of Engineering (MUSE), which is located at Manasagangotri Campus, Mysuru is affiliated to the University of Mysore, and approved by AICTE, New Delhi. The Engineering College was started from the Academic year 2021-2022 and its primary focus has been to expose young minds to the world of technology.

The college inculcates development of all facets of the students' mind culminating in an intellectual and balanced personality. The institute has outstanding environment for innovative, flexible and internationalised learning.

The Institution has dedicated and caring faculty members who strive to widen the student's horizon of learning thereby achieving excellent results for every student. They teach them how to build, program, and validate real systems. Different courses of engineering offer students a solid grounding in the foundations of the discipline.

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Unique Features

MUSE is unique as it has sufficient infrastructure, environment-friendly ambience, wi-Fi facilities among others. The college provides placement training and ability enhancement courses right from first year to train the students to get ready for future campus recruitments. The college also has an NCC Unit in the campus for supporting students in sports activities. The departments have qualified, dedicated faculty members who work hard to provide high-quality and student-focused teaching.

Vision

To aspire to become a world-class University by tapping human resources from all sections of society by offering them opportunities to learn across disciplines, and to build human capital, men and women of character and competence capable of being leaders of tomorrow and solving problems arising out of fast changing realities – global and local.

Mission

Built on a great legacy inherited from our founding fathers, our mission is to create an environment of stimulating intellectual dialogue across disciplines and harvest knowledge with a cutting-edge through high quality teaching, research, and extension activities leading to the generation of students who would provide leadership, vision and direction to society.

The college offers five B.E courses — Artificial Intelligence and Data Science, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Biomedical and Robotic Engineering, Civil Environmental Engineering and Computer Science and Design Engineering branches.

"We strive to make this Mysore University School of Engineering a model engineering college providing world class Technical Education to students so that they meet all challenges.

Dr. C.N. Ashwath Narayan, Deputy Chief Minister, Minister for Higher Education, Govt of Karnataka and Pro-Chancellor of MUSE

University of Mysore has always occupied an esteemed place among the universities of India for over a century now. It has seen considerable growth in the last few years with the introduction of new courses, new disciplines, and new initiatives. We are constantly responding to the challenges of the changing academia by defining our strengths and building our distinctive character and identity. We are proud of our innovative ideas and progressive approaches in every domain of activity and our focus will be in identifying opportunities for growth.

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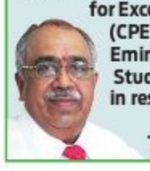

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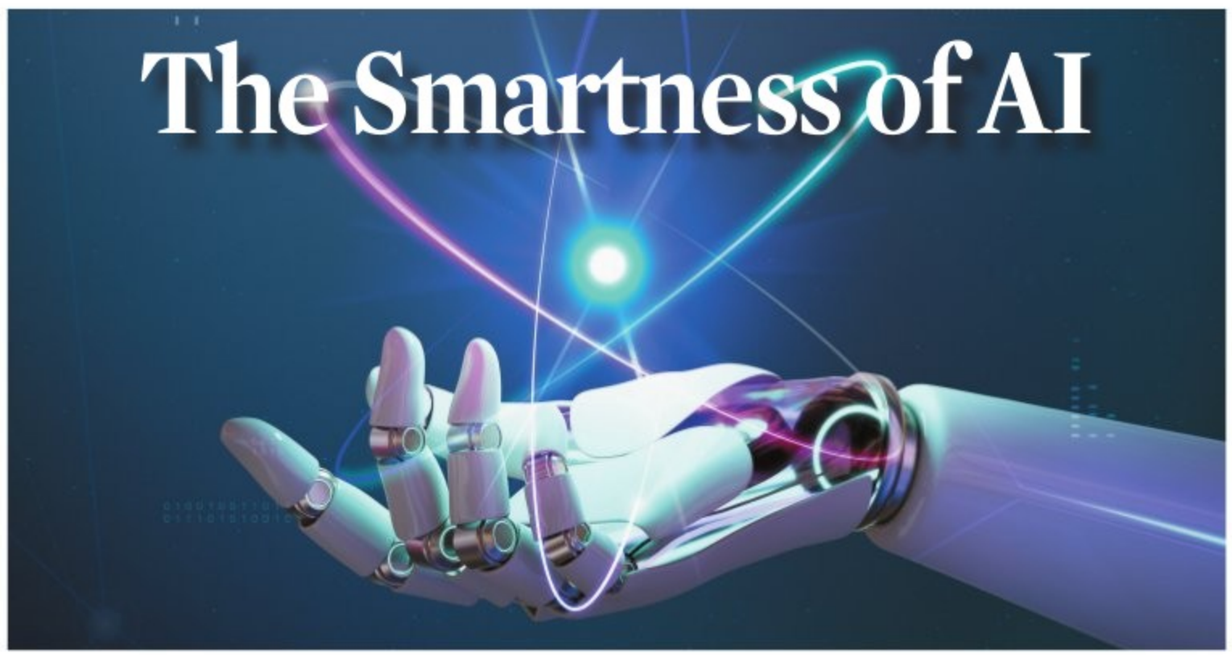

Tesla's self-driving cars, to Amazon's dancing robots used in the warehouses and from virtual chat bots to disease mapping solutions, a career in AI and ML is both lucrative and creative. If you aspire to make a career in this domain, skills like Math, Statistics, Basics of Data Science, Machine Learning, Deep Learning will take you a long way. Here's a great news for you- ~19 lacs AI jobs are estimated to emerge by 2023. On the other hand, metaverse already has us wrapped in its not so little fingers. From Facebook to Instagram, virtual reality, Whatsapp, and many more, it is quite predictable that by 2030, its empire would only grow further.

The global artificial intelligence market is growing due to an increase in demand for intelligent systems to improve efficiency and productivity in sectors such as IT and telecommunications, retail and e-commerce, BFSI, healthcare, manufacturing, and automotive.

During the projected period, increasing digital dependence and industry 4.0 trends are expected to provide lucrative chances for the artificial intelligence market to expand.

The global artificial intelligence market size was valued at USD 93.5 billion in 2021 and is projected to expand at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 38.1% from 2022 to 2030. The continuous research and innovation directed by the tech giants are driving the adoption of advanced technologies in industry verticals, such as automotive, healthcare, retail, finance, and manufacturing.

For instance, In November 2020, Intel Corporation acquired Cnvrg.io., an Israeli company that develops and operates a platform for data scientists to build and run machine learning models, to boost Artificial Intelligence (AI) business.

However, technology has always been an essential element for these industries, but AI has brought technology to the center of organisations.

The essential fact accelerating the rate of innovation in AI is accessibility to historical datasets. Since data storage and recovery have become more economical, healthcare institutions and government agencies build unstructured data accessible to the research domain. Researchers are getting access to rich datasets from historic rain trends to clinical imaging.

The next-generation computing architectures, with access to rich datasets, are encouraging information scientists and researchers to innovate faster. Furthermore, progress in profound learning and ANN (Artificial Neural Networks) has also fueled the adoption of AI in several industries, such as aerospace, healthcare, manufacturing, and automotive.

The advertising and media segment led the market and accounted for a revenue share of more than 20.0% in 2021. This high share is attributable to the growing AI marketing applications with significant traction.

For instance, in January 2022, Cadbury started an initiative to let small business owners create their AD for free using the face and voice of the celebrity with the help of an AI tool. However, the healthcare sector is anticipated to gain a leading share by 2030.

The healthcare segment has been segregated based on use-cases, such as robot-assisted surgery, dosage error reduction, virtual nursing assistants, clinical trial participant identifier, hospital workflow management, preliminary diagnosis, and automated image diagnosis.

The BFSI segment includes financial analysis, risk assessment, and investment/portfolio management solicitations.

Artificial intelligence has witnessed a significant share in the BFSI due to the sector's high demand for risk and compliance applications.

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Grooming Professionally Excellent and Socially Committed Engineers

P. E. S. College of Engineering, Mandya was established in the year 1962 and will be completing six decades of excellence in technical education. It obtained Autonomous status during 2008. It is run by the People's Education Trust (PET), Mandya formed by philanthropist Late K. V. Shankaragowda, former Education minister, Govt of Karnataka of Mandya district on a "no profit" basis. The institute is committed to the society and mainly focuses on providing quality technical education, especially to students with rural background.

The management under the leadership of Chairman K. S. Vijay Anand is committed to develop student potential through high quality teaching-learning processes and state-of-the-art infrastructure.

The college is determined to improve academic standards and campus environment to impart quality education to make students 'Professionally Excellent and Socially Committed Engineers' (P.E.S.C.E) through experiential learning with modern education tools and structured inputs.

With the efforts of management, faculty, students and parents, PESCE, Mandya has secured 137th All-India NIRF rank under Engineering category.

New Program

All the UG programs are accredited by NBA. A new B.E. program in Computer Science and Engineering with specialisation in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning will be started from this academic year.

NEP & PESCE

The National Education Policy (NEP) of 2020 offers a critical chance to shift Indian education from "sorting and selection" to "human development," allowing each student to reach their full potential. P.E.S. College of Engineering, Mandya, strives towards realising the goal of NEP. At PESCE, Mandya apart from Placement training from the 1st semester, students also undergo a skill development programme starting from the 1st semester till their final semester apart from regular academics.

Innovation and Incubation centre

Another area in which the college has taken a strong interest is encouraging students to come up with innovative ideas and turn them into successful start-ups. An exclusive Innovation and Incubation centre is coming up on the campus for this purpose.

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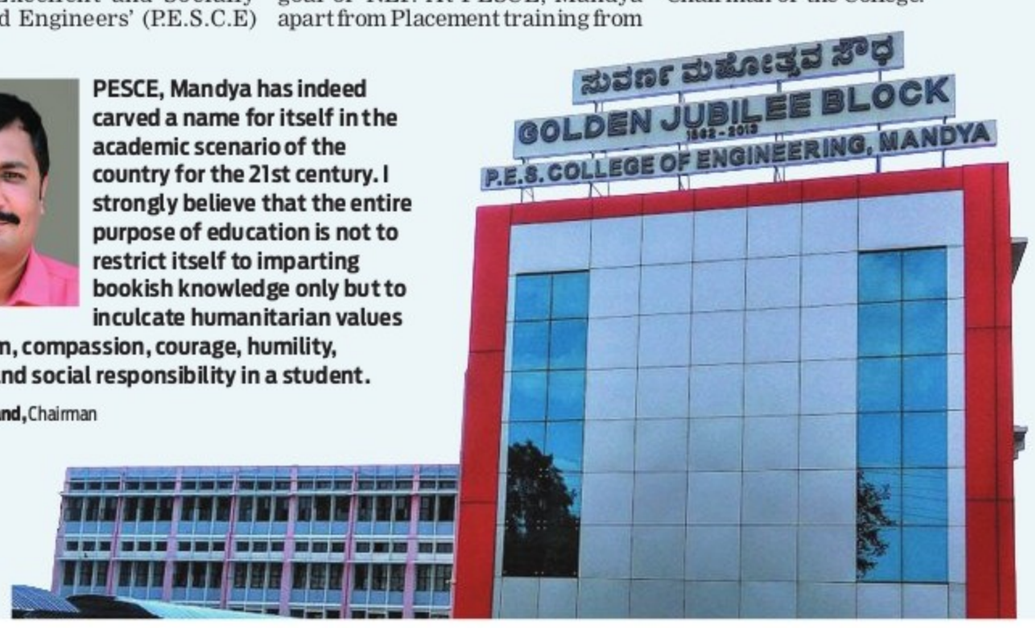

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India's higher education system is on the verge of major reforms and JSS Science and Technology University has been established envisioning to create a bright future and a desired learner centric eco-system and transform into a futuristic global University.

Mission

The mission is to establish one of the world's great broad-based sustainable value driven research-intensive university and integrate nation building.

The proposed strategy identifies its priorities for the next five years, during which it will focus on its resources on maintaining existing and developing new, leading activities. The institution plans to improve its standing, nationally and internationally, while meeting needs of the industry and students. The strategy focuses on three main themes:

National Focus

Orient efforts towards overall development of students', aligning investments with strategic priorities to cater to the Nations' Vision.

Global reach

Broaden efforts to meet the global needs of the larger world community with focused priorities including a multi-cultural community of students and staff and become a truly international university.

Multi-disciplinary approaches

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- Collaborations & MOU

The university trains brilliant minds in technologies of tomorrow, driven by research and internationalisation.

- Dr. B Suresh, Director (Technical Education Division), JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru-570015

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Industry Institute Partnership

The college interacts with the business and industries across every aspect of engineering. The industries and business establishments — Government and non-government organisations — involved with the college are CISCO, TCS, Infosys, HP, Analog Devices, Philips, Bosch Rexroth, PACE, CPHEEO, GRASIM, MOEF, ZP, MICC, MUDA, JK Tyres, Rane (Madras), MYPOL, etc. These companies are supportive to the college and some of them have set up labs in the college camps, viz., CISCO, HP, Analog Devices, Xilinx, Bosch Rexroth, Philips, Nokia, Schneider Electric, etc.

Research Excellence

JSS STU has a strong culture in support of research and scholarship, ably supported by both national and international research funding agencies. The outstanding faculty members apart from effective teaching, actively involved in research as a central responsibility of department and research grant support programmes. This ensures students, research scholars winning accolades across the globe regularly. Currently, 136 students have registered and are working towards Ph.D. degrees. 57 students have been awarded Ph.D.

Placement and Training

The placement officer arranges campus interviews from various national and multinational companies for campus recruitment and also helps the various Heads of Departments in placing the students for project work at industries and other research and development organisations.

The placement centre has an impressive track record of both placements and participating industries. Besides this, the placement centre organises mock interviews, personality development courses, seminars, group discussions, invited talks and road shows of prospective employers. Skill tests are also conducted to prepare the students for tests and interviews.

Origin

The origin of JSS Mahavidyapeetha (JSSMVP), a formidable educational movement, can be traced to the establishment of a small hostel in 1928 to cater to the accommodation needs of students pursuing higher studies in Mysore. His Holiness Jagadguru Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji established the Jagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara Mahavidyapeetha (JSSMVP) in 1954 and it was registered under the Societies' Registration Act 1960.

Focusing on a purpose as expansive and yet as specific as improving quality of life through Human Development, the JSS Mahavidyapeetha has grown from strength to strength. A long and healthy life, Education for all and a decent standard of living, the indicators of Human development, have been the underlying philosophy of Jagadguru Sri Veerasimhasana Mahasamsthana Math, Suttur Srikshethra, for centuries. This is also the philosophy for which the Mahaidyapeetha today stands for.

Under the untiring efforts of Jagadguru Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji, the Mahavidyapeetha has witnessed enormous growth in the field of education and today has over 300 institutions under its fold, from kindergartens to postgraduate centres and postdoctoral research catering to the educational needs of more than 1,00,000 students.

The Mahavidyapeetha continues to play an important role in expanding the scope of its activities to several branches of knowledge, welfare and culture. Its educational efforts span crèches for toddlers of working rural women, schools to impart primary and secondary education in both Kannada and English medium, Colleges, Polytechnics, Technical, Medicine, etc.

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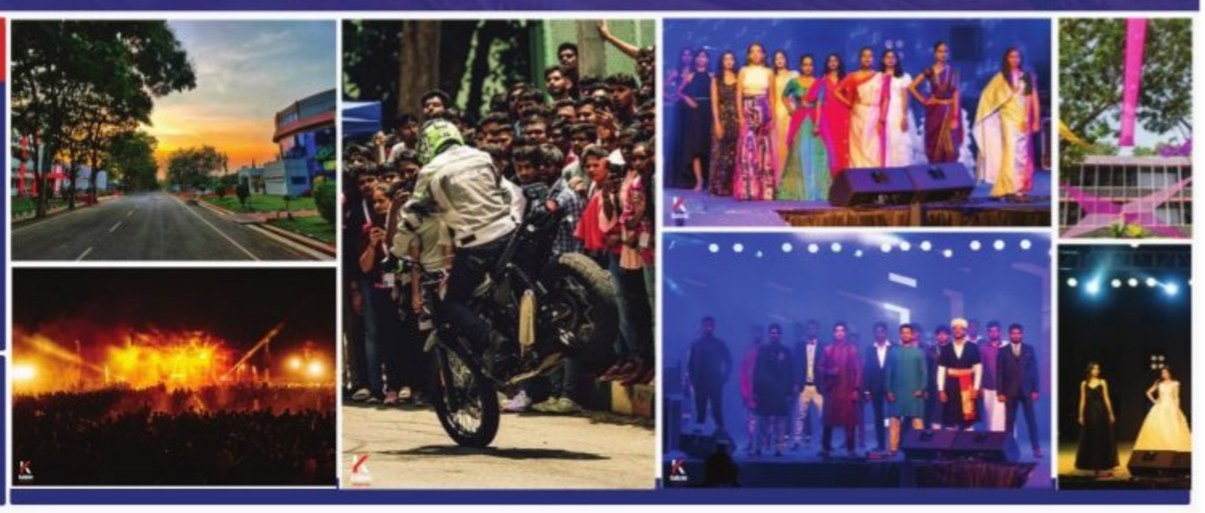


DIVERSE METAVERSE

The Metaverse is a bit of a buzzword at the moment, and one that doesn't look like it's about to go away.

In a nutshell, it describes a collective virtual shared space, including virtual worlds, augmented reality, and different community spaces on the internet.

The Metaverse is a concept from Neal Stephenson's 1992 science fiction novel "Snow Crash". The idea was later popularised by software such as Second Life, World of Warcraft, and Roblox.

Ultimately, it describes a virtual reality world.

It is where people can go to explore, create and interact with others. Because it is growing in popularity, it needs lots of different people to make it work.

This includes people getting a start in their careers, across graduates, interns and apprenticeships.

Careers

The Metaverse is a virtual reality world that has the potential to change the way we work, live and play. But what are the jobs and careers available in this space?

Unity

Unity is a game engine and 3d software tool that has applications across loads of different industries, from video games to construction to retail.

As an accessible engine, Unity allows up-and-coming developers a place to hone their skills and create unique 2d and 3d experiences. It is the perfect breeding ground for metaverse innovation.

Unity is a growing company, based in Brighton with offices across the UK. Their intern intake runs once a year where they bring in talent from across the UK.

Meta

Parent company to Facebook, Instagram and Whatsapp, Meta is publicly leading the way in metaverse development. In fact, it has pledged at least 10 billion dollars of spending for it's 'reality labs' division, which focuses on virtual reality and the metaverse.

Meta has a recently launched and highly rated software engineering apprenticeship. During the course of the programme you'll complete three rotations on three different software engineering teams that are building the next generation of products, systems and services that help people connect with each other around the globe.

Activision Blizzard

As one of the biggest gaming companies in the world, Activision Blizzard will no doubt lead the direction that a future metaverse might take.

Their early careers programme has opportunities covering analytics, animation, art, engineering, game design, production, and UX/UI.

They also have a 'Women in Games Scholoarship' to Tencourage women and non-binary students to consider careers in tech and gaming.

Why You Should Consider a Career In Virtual Reality Now!

Virtual reality is a technology that has been around for decades, but it has never been more popular than it is right now.

It's predicted that the market will be worth over $150 billion by 2025. The potential for this technology is virtually limitless, and there are already plenty of careers available that make use of VR as an integral part of their work

With the demand for VR professionals at an all-time high, and the supply of qualified candidates so low, there's never been a better time to explore a metaverse career.

(Courtesy: www.bestapprenticeships.com)

MIT Mysore: Institution Guided by ENGINEERING STALWARTS

Maharaja Education Trust (MET), Mysuru, a trust comprising of such eminent teachers, founded the Maharaja Institute of Technology Mysore (MITM) in 2007 and since its inception, the institution has consistently marched towards excellence and has established itself as a pioneer in the field of technical education, spreading its fragrance in Mysore – Mandya and the southern region in the state of Karnataka. The trust has added to its list of institutions since then -- Agriculture and Food Management Institute, MIT - GSI PU College, Primary and High School, MIT First Grade College and Maharaja Institute of Technology Tandavapura, MIT Degree College (BCA & BCom), an Ayurveda College and a Nursing College.

MIT Mysore is situated in a serene location surrounded by sprawling landscape, a bit offset from the urbane disruption. MIT Mysore houses in its campus the UG Courses - Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Computer Science & Engineering, Information Science & Engineering, Electronics & Communication Engineering, and emerging courses like CS & E (Artificial Intelligence), CS & E (Data Science) and CS & Business Systems have been added owing to the recent surge in demand for the CS related engineering branches. The PG courses offered at the campus are MBA (dual specialization), MCA & M. Tech.

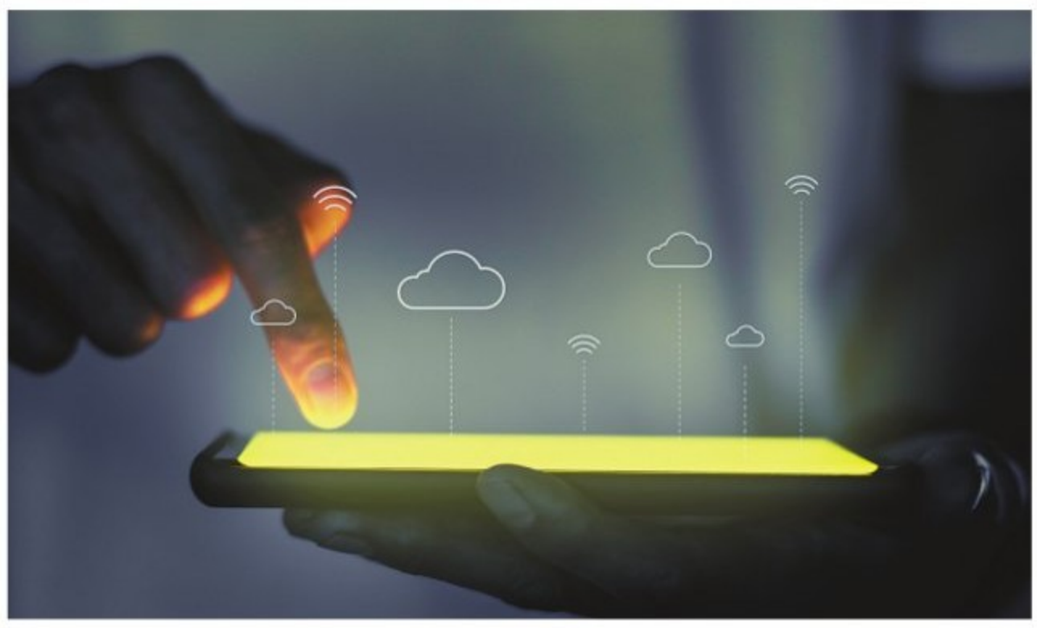
The institute is nurturing an intake of 1,000+ per year and the overall student strength of around 3000, with its alumni being extensively acknowledged by the society and industry alike.

MIT Mysore is the only institute to have all its UG and PG courses accredited by both NBA and NAAC. This feather in the crown opens up new avenues for the students who graduate from the college and creates an edge over their contemporaries.

The placement for students through campus selection is best in the region and is at a staggering figure of 496 placements (614 offers) for the current academic year in spite of the pandemic. Students keep joining the honour boards of the university every year by achieving top ranks and this year was no different with 3 ranks at the university level.

The college has connectivity from 3 districts and 12 taluks surrounding it by means of 60 buses plying everyday maintained by the college. Students from far away places can have a convenient stay at the inhouse hostel facility – separate for boys and girls.

Apart from, academic excellence, considerable opportunities are given to students in extracurricular and sports activities. The institute's NSS cell, headed by the Principal, has been awarded by VTU as the best NSS cell in the state. On the whole, 360 degree development of a student is the focus of the institute and it leaves no stone unturned to achieve the objective.



A CAREER IN CLOUD

Cloud computing is one of the emerging technologies expected to reach ~$300 billion this year. Cloud computing delivers computing solutions to access data, store data and networking via the internet without having to store the data at your end (like in a hard drive). It provides revolutionary solutions to businesses and individuals and this space is growing leaps and bounds. One million jobs will be available in India alone by 2022 which indicates huge demand of specialized skills in cloud computing. Skills like Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google Cloud Platform, or Azure are essential in this arena. Job roles like Cloud Consultant, Cloud Engineer, Cloud Architects are highly in demand.

A Secure Career?

Cloud computing is strong and expansive, and it will continue to grow and give many benefits in the future since it is incredibly cost-effective, and businesses can use it to grow. Thus Cloud computing careers have a bright future ahead, with benefits for both the host and the customer. Although it's important to remember that the company's owner should be up to date on the latest developments in cloud technology.

Cloud Engineer

Cloud engineer is a beginner-friendly role that mainly revolves around being a cloud-focused software engineer.

They work mostly on writing code, writing and testing new features, shipping code for deployment, building mobile, web applications and API, and the day-to-day maintenance of ongoing software projects.

Technical skills

You need all the software engineering skills plus familiarity with at least one cloud platform, preferably the one the target company uses. To be more specific, Cloud Academy outlines them as:

- Front-end: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Node.js, Python, and Ruby
- Backend: Golang, Node.js, Python, Ruby
- Test-driven development, unit testing, and integration testing
- Databases (both Relational and NoSQL)
- Basic skills in software deployment
- Linux internals, Servers, and cloud application development

Don't be overwhelmed with all the skills; this is after research of multiple companies. Ideally, you'd need only one or two languages specific to the target company.

Relevant certifications

Certifications are popular in cloud computing and certainly showcases your cloud skills to the potential employer.

- Microsoft Azure: Certified Developer Associate
- Amazon Web Services: Certified Developer Associate
- Google Cloud Platform: Professional Cloud Developer

You don't have to get yourself certified in all 3; one of them would give you some much-needed credibility.

Data Scientists Fading into the Background?

Experts have said that 80% or more of a data scientist's job is getting data ready for analysis. Now, technology providers sell platforms that automate tasks and abstract data into low-code or no-code environments, potentially eliminating much of the work currently done by data scientists.

There are suggestions that the data scientist will probably fade into the background because more tools are becoming prevalent.

The probability appear to stem from three main sources of doubt:

They think that the "trend of data science" is over and society is onto the next biggest thing.

They hear that many data science tasks may be automated, so they believe automation will replace the need for data science skills.

They think that data science jobs will be oversaturated.

Experts believe that data science will be around for quite some time. Many feel 'where is the sentiment that the field is declining coming from?'.

According to them, a lot of it comes from the lack of definition around the data science domain itself.

Companies are still struggling to define the role and how it differs from a data analyst, a data engineer, or a machine learning engineer.

People get confused by this nomenclature and forget that all of these positions are still working under the broader umbrella of data science.

Does a Data Scientist have a Foreseeable Future?

If technology has been disrupted, there has been technology to replace almost all of the work that is done in the data science field.

According to studies, only 57% of enterprise organizations use data and analytics to drive strategy and change. And 95% of employers said that data science and analytics skills are hard to find.

Many companies think that all data science jobs must be based on cutting-edge technologies, which would ultimately slow down hiring data scientists in the next few years.

Will automation kill data science jobs?

Automation will act as a supplementary tool that will boost data science tasks and make them more efficient. Bots can take care of lower-level tasks, whereas data scientists can take care of problem-solving tasks.

This combination of human problem-solving and automation will, moreover empower data scientists, rather than threaten their jobs.

There will be more technological advancements coming up in the future. However, it is important to understand that data scientists possess a very important skill.

Which is very difficult for artificial intelligence to emulate.

Lack of data science guidance

Another major cause of the industry's human resource deficit in the data science domain is a lack of proper awareness about job requirements among the aspirants.

Data science is a big subject and students who try to learn everything ends up being a jack of all trades and master of none, which isn't what businesses are looking for right now.

Many firms have a data-related requirement that needs candidates to have a thorough understanding of various parts of data science.

Is data science oversaturated, and will the field be replaced?

Many companies hire data scientists to solve data-driven problems at these organizations. The role of a data scientist is to add value to an organization with data.

And in most companies, only a very small portion of this involves building ML algorithms. The use of automated tools like auto Machine learning and data robot was raised to solve business problems. But these tools have a fixed set of algorithms to find a problem and to solve it.

And also data robots can't do data pre-processing or any of the heavy lifting that comes before model building.

The values a data scientist provides to an organization lie in their ability to apply data to real-world use cases.

As long as a data scientist is able to solve problems with the help of data and bridge the gap between technical and business skills, the role will continue to persist.

So, while many experts believe that as is typical of careers within the technology space, the data scientist as a distinct entity is fading away, but emerging careers demonstrating the advancement of programming into these areas are as important as ever.

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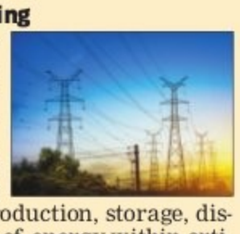
Engineering encompasses every product and tool right from the nano-scale particles to humongous ships, chemical compounds, roads, and more. If you have a creative bone and can't help yourself from dissembling and reassembling every other gadget that you come across or you are always curious to know how a certain thing works, engineering is for you. Basic skills like math, science, creativity and problem-solving skills will help you in this stream. Here are a few more courses of promise. (Contd. from Page 1)

Power & Energy Engineering



If you love to explore how energy systems and electricity works, a power and energy engineering degree can open up many opportunities for you. Energy & Power Engineering deals with the study of production, storage, distribution, and application of energy within artificial or natural energy systems. Further specialisation is possible, e.g. with a focus on nuclear energy or renewable energy sources.

Civil Engineering & Construction

Roads, railways, bridges, canals, dams, airports and more: Civil Engineering is a field that covers more or less everything that is built around us. Civil engineering and construction professionals work on major infrastructure projects that are usually large in scale. You should expect a Civil Engineering course to be heavy in Mathematics and Physics, too.

Mining, Oil & Gas

Fossil fuels continue to play a major role in our economies, as do other natural resources found underground. In a course that focuses on Mining or Oil & Gas, you will learn about the exploration, assessment and extraction of metals, fossil fuels, minerals and petroleum from the earth. A mining engineer investigates mineral resources and also plans and supervises the building of mines. An oil and gas engineer assesses petroleum and gas reservoirs and also supervises drilling works.

Electronics & Communication

Sophisticated electronic systems are all around us: Computers, smartphones, cars, TVs, and even washing machines are outfitted with modern circuitry. Studying for a degree in Electronics you will learn to understand the inner workings of such equipment. You will learn to design and develop electronic components, and understand how complex electronic or communication systems work. With technology playing an ever-larger role in our lives, you are bound to have an exciting career lined up for you.

Materials Science

Materials Science, or Materials Engineering, deals with properties of matter and its use in various scientific and engineering areas. Materials Science study programmes cover aspects of material chemistry and physics at the atomic and molecular level. You will learn to understand material composition in order to analyse and test materials, and you will learn to design, develop and manufacture new materials with novel characteristics - for all kinds of applications.

Industrial & Systems Engineering

Industrial systems and processes can be complex - and Systems Engineering is the field in which you learn to develop, integrate and maintain them. Process design and evaluation is part of it, as is the reduction of inefficiencies. A degree in Industrial Engineering or Systems Engineering will allow you to learn a great deal about a broad range of Engineering disciplines. That makes it a good foundation for a flexible career in your future.

General Engineering & Technology

Maybe you find it too difficult to choose a subdiscipline of Engineering - especially when looking for a Bachelor's degree that can be a challenge. If you don't want to settle for a subject too early, look for general Engineering degrees. Such courses usually begin by giving you a basic overview of all relevant disciplines and employ you with a solid understanding of the mathematical and physical foundations that you will need to explore the more specialised fields.

Electrical Engineering

Closely related to Power & Energy Engineering, Electrical Engineering covers the large-scale generation and distribution of electricity, as well as the surrounding challenges with electrical equipment. In an Electrical Engineering programme, you will learn and apply the mathematics and physics of electricity and electromagnetism to various systems.

Marine Engineering

If you have an interest in the research, development and construction of new marine craft and their components, a degree in marine engineering is an excellent option. Marine engineers are the people who design, build, test and repair boats, ships, yachts, underwater vessels, offshore craft, and drilling equipment, and they usually work hand in hand with naval architects.

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